THE WEATHER
Clearing and much colder with a cold wave; Friday fair; high northwest winds.

THE MORNING STAR
WILMINGTON
FOUNDED A. D. 1867

COLD WAVE.
The Weather Bureau issues for Wilmington and vicinity cold wave warning. Temperatures expected to drop 30 to 40 degrees in 36 hours.

VOL. LXXXV—NO. 128. WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 18, 1910. WHOLE NUMBER 13,221.

Library of Congress

CONGER FINISHES STORY OF BRIBE

Declares Former Speaker of Assembly Completes Trio of Grafters.

MORE SUPRISES IN SENATE

Both Burnett and Nixon Are Dead and Allds Alone is Left to Shoulder Blame—Other Investigations Probable.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 18.—S. Fred Nixon is the third name that Senator Ben Conger says Hiram G. Moe wrote on one of the envelopes in which they carried $6,000 to the State capitol nine years ago to buy protection for the bridge companies. The name of the former speaker of the Assembly announced today by Conger on the stand completes the trio. Speaker Nixon's envelope, according to Conger, like Senator Jotham P. Allds, held $1,000. The remainder of the fund, $4,000, was in the envelope given to Nixon's lieutenant, Assemblyman Jean Larue Burnett.

These were the revelations that marked the closing minutes of the State's investigations of the bribery charges this afternoon. But such disclosures had been so far discounted by rumor and expectation that the announcement of Nixon's name and the thrilling legal skirmishes leading up to it were only incidents in the afternoon full of surprises. Nixon is dead and Burnett is dead, and of Allds the only living member of the trio, his accuser probably has told the worst he can have to say. But there are other graft investigations to come and today's proceedings yielded a rich harvest of evidence on which to base them.

According to Conger from 1901 to 1905, a systematic campaign was conducted at Albany against the treasury of the bridge companies. For three years the companies paid tribute. In 1905 notice came from Albany that it would be to their interests to forward to the capitol $10,000. Then the men who controlled the bridge companies met in Syracuse and agreed not to pay. As Conger expressed it—"We decided we would not be blackmailed any longer."

During the four preceeding years measures hostile to the bridge interests had ben introduced regularly but they always failed to pass. But in 1905 the Legislature passed a highway act, which placed on the statute books a provision against which the bridge combination had long contended. As a result of this law 60 per cent. of the bridge companies were forced out of business in New York State.

Allds' accuser was on the stand all day and this was his story. He told it under cross-examination and Allds' attorneys seemed quite ready to let him tell it. Their purpose, apparently, was to brand Conger as a giver of bribes, as a representative of the bridge interests in the Legislature and to show that he was actuated in bringing against Allds the charge the Senate is now investigating by a desire for revenge for Allds' hostility to the business interests where Conger had invested money. Conger followed their lead with a readiness that can be explained by a desire to convince his colleagues that he would have handled bribe money unless he and his business associates had been "held up" by legislators, and that the bridge interests in the past had to choose between blackmail and ruin.

S. Fred Nixon probably held more power than any other member of the Assembly that occupied the Speaker's chair. He first entered the lower House in 1887 and was elected Speaker in 1899. He ruled the Assembly continuously up to the time of his death in the Fall of 1905.

The name of Col. George W. Dunn, chairman of the Republican State Committee in 1902, was brought definitely into the evidence today, thus making him available as a witness at future investigations. Conger said that he called on Dunn at his office here and made a contribution for both himself and the bridge companies. He did not say how much it was.

INVESTIGATE HIGH PRICES.

Select Committee With Senator Lodge Chairman Appointed.

Washington, Feb. 17.—Vice President Sherman today appointed as the select committee to investigate the increased cost of living Senators Lodge, chairman; Gallinger, McCumber, Smoot, Crawford, Simmons and Clark, of Arkansas.

Contrary to expectations it now appears unlikely that hearings will be held by the committee.

Chairman Lodge will call his associates together as soon as possible to consider the best methods of procedure. He is of the opinion that more can be accomplished by calling to the assistance of the committee experts in the various executive departments, who have special knowledge of the many subjects to be probed.

It was stated by Mr. Lodge today that the investigation would be thorough and would cover the wide scope provided for in the resolution by the finance committee.

TILLMAN IS SERIOUSLY ILL

Condition of South Carolina Senator Alarms His Friends—Suffering From Slight Paralysis—Followed Collapse.

Washington, Feb. 17.—United States Senator Benjamin R. Tillman, of South Carolina, is seriously ill, and possibly will be unable to participate in any active deliberations of the Senate for the remainder of this session.

Following the collapse of the Senator on the steps of the capitol building Wednesday he was removed to his home and appeared to recover from an elk of dizziness, but today his condition was such as thoroughly to alarm his friends.

Dr. E. F. Pickford, Senator Tillman's physician said tonight, after he had made a careful examination of the patient that the Senator is suffering from slight progressive paralysis due to a leakage of blood in the brain caused by calsification of the arteries. In the opinion of the doctor rest and quiet are essential and Senator Tillman will be unable to participate in any serious work of this session of Congress, even if his affliction grows no more serious. The Senator's physical condition according to Dr. Pickford, is favorable, considering the nature of his trouble.

THE COTTON INQUIRY.

Practically Completed Yesterday—Grain Dealers Now Called In.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The investigation of transactions in futures on exchanges and boards of trade, which has been proceeding before the House Committee on Agriculture, swung tonight from the cotton exchanges to the grain markets.

Both sides of the question of the proposed legislation to abolish the speculative operations in the New York Cotton Exchange closed today and tomorrow delegates from the grain forums of Chicago, Philadelphia, Duluth and Minneapolis will voice their opposition to the pending bills.

Both the New York Stock Exchange and the "white slave" traffic evils were drawn on by L. Mandelbaum, a member of the New York Cotton Exchange, as instances where the interference of the law could overstep its bounds in certain particulars. He portrayed the exchange as generally without blemish. Former President Hubbard traced the exchange's evolution.

Representative Burleson, of Texas, a producer of cotton and a representative of cotton producing interests, declared that the bucket shops were infinitely preferable to the exchange, with its manipulations of prices, and that the exchange by comparison with the bucket shops was as Monte Carlo and his roulette and monthly record of suicide to the game of craps the pickaninnies play in the back alleys. He arrayed what he stamped as "confessions of the exchange itself", said New York had ceased to be a spot market and when Representative Cocks, of New York, asked, "where is there a spot market, then" he replied that they were in the South. The producers and spinners, he insisted, were united in the demand that the incubus of the exchange be removed, that its revision committee was vested with power than no committee should have and that the fixed differences system might easily become the vehicle of disaster.

He declared that the low grades and the "overs", the refuse grades mostly, were sent to the New York warehouses, that the cotton exchange had not performed its function of bringing the producers and the spinners together and referred facetiously to the members of the exchange as "merchants, I will not say gamblers."

The consumption of cotton would continue even if the New York and New Orleans exchanges were abolished and he declared that bread riots would follow in Manchester if the spindles there were stopped. Asked if he would hold the New York Cotton Exchange responsible for such possible riots he sarcastically suggested that he did not hold it responsible for anything.

ILLINOIS LYNCHERS.

Negroes Charged With Purse Snatching Call Forth a Mob.

Cairo, Ill., Feb. 17.—A pitched battle was in progress at a late hour tonight between 20 deputy sheriffs guarding the jail and a mob of 200 persons who are trying to break into the jail to get a negro charged with purse snatching. Two members of the mob have been shot and the mob is now firing on the jail. The local militia company has been ordered out. Sheriff Nellis sent out word to the mob that he would fight to a finish, and two men fell in the first rush. It is not known how severely they were injured. John Pratt ,the negro the mob is after, was arrested today and identified by two women as the man who snatched their purses. He confessed and was indicted an hour later.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 17.—Two women have been robbed. One was a relative of Annie Pelley, whose murder resulted in the lynching of William James several months ago.

The sheriff stated that a brother of Miss Pelley's relative had gone about inciting the habitues of saloons to violence against the negro purse-snatcher ,who was indicted today. The sheriff has sworn in 20 deputies.

STORM REPORTS FROM THE STATES

Blizzards in Texas, Ohio and Elsewhere, Winds on The Coast.

SEVEREST IN MANY YEARS

Eighteen Inches of Snow in Cincinnati—Vessel Lost Off Florida Coast—Lake Erie Regions Frozen Up—Reports.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 17.—Cincinnati tonight lies under 18 inches of snow which is the heaviest fall recorded in 25 years. The streets are almost impassible. Reports from Southern and Western Ohio say 24 inches of snow is general. In several places interurban and street car traffic has been stopped, while telephone and telegraph service is interrupted.

Worst in 30 Years.

Sandusky, O., Feb. 17.—The Lake Erie Islands regions today faced the worst blizzard of 30 Winters. The mercury is nearing the zero mark. Residents of Kelley's, Put-in-Bay, Middle Bass and other islands are isolated, as traveling from the mainland over the frozen lake is no longer safe.

Brakeman Frozen to Death.

Amerillo, Texas, Feb. 17.—B. P. Green, a Rock Island brakeman, was frozen to death last night in a blizzard. W. R. Breeding, conductor of the work train on which Green was working is missing. He is believed to have perished in the storm.

Disaster to Shipping.

Pensacola, Fla., Feb. 17.—Driven ashore in a gale of 60 miles an hour the Spanish bark Triumfo, from Havana for Pensacola, is rapidly going to pieces five miles west of Pensacola light. The crew of 13 men were taken off tonight by the life saving crew and brought to this city in a tow boat. The effort to rescue the men was a perilous undertaking for the waves were running mountain high. Several of the crew went overboard as they were leaving the ship but all were finally rescued. The captain reports that he anchored off Pensacola early this morning but that both cables parted and his vessel was driven five miles to the westward and went ashore. She will be a total loss.

Cyclonic in Georgia.

Columbus, Ga., Feb. 17—A windstorm of cyclonic proportions, accompanied by a heavy downpour of rain, swept a wide territory west of Columbus this afternoon, doing large property damage. Brickyard, Ala., and Summerville, Ala., report many buildings damaged.

EXPLOSION KILLS FIVE.

Chemist and Four Workmen Were Victims—Property Loss $50,000.

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 17.—An explosion in the mixing room of the Trojan Powder Works at San Torenzo today cost the lives of Chemist Reuben Tharp and four workmen and caused a property loss of $50,000. Four other employes were seriously, if not fatally, injured, and a dozen more including Superintendent Martina were severely burned and bruised.

In a magazine in the center of the 25 buildings that made up the plant was stored 75,000 pounds of powder. Fire followed the explosion and ten of the buildings were burned, surrounding the magazine with a wall of flame. The magazine was at a safe distance within the circle of fire, however.

The explosion wrecked neighboring buildings and hurled one of the mixers hundreds of feet through the air.

Fifty men and women in and near the plant were thrown to the ground by the blast.

The injured pinned under collapsed buildings were threatened for a time with incineration. The concussion drew hundreds of spectators, who by heroic exertions dragged the maimed from the ruins. It is possible that other bodies may be found in the ruins.

WATCHMAN CRUSHED TO DEATH

Caught in Draw-Bridge at Fort Motte, S. C.—At Post of Duty.

Fort Motte, S. C., Feb. 17.—Sacrificing his life to save the lives of others, Thomas Jefferson, for 30 years night watchman for the Southern Railway at Congaree river bridge, met with a horrible death at his post at an early hour this morning, being caught in the machinery of the draw-bridge and crushed to death.

The steamer City of Columbia arrived at the bridge at 5:30 o'clock and the watchman opened the draw for it to pass, but as train No. 15, was due at 6 o'clock he hastened up the track to place a signal to save the passenger train from dashing into the waters of Congaree river. Coming back to close the draw, the watchman fell into the aperture used for oiling the machinery of the bridge. Shortly after the train crew closed the draw and crushed the life out of the unconscious man.

Lynchburg, Va., Feb. 17.—Senator John W. Daniel left tonight for Florida to spend a month. He will decide upon his stopping place after reaching that State. Major Daniel has been unable to be at Congress since an attack of pneumonia in Philadelphia last Fall but has been improving all winter.

SEYLERS ON MURDER CHARGE

Agree to Return to Atlantic City Without Requisition—Brothers Tell Conflicting Stories—For Murder of Jane Adams.

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 17.—The two men, William Seyler and Orvis Seyler, arrested here at midnight last night, charged with the murder of Miss Jane Adams in Atlantic City on the night of February 4th, will be taken back to that city tomorrow morning, both agreeing to go without the formality of a requisition. They were both subjected to the "third degree" in jail today by Detectives Miller and Malseed, of Atlantic City, but nothing material was developed.

William Seyler, the elder brother, who is charged directly with the murder of the girl, positively and with indignation, denied all knowledge of the crime and as emphatically denied also that he met the unfortunate girl on the pier that night. He says he will prove an allibi. But the younger brother corroberates the story told by Alice Adams of her pleading with William and her sister to leave the pier and go home, and of their refusal to do so, the sister saying that William would not let her go. The two brothers have been kept apart during their imprisonment here, and William does not know of the statement made by Orvis. The men will be taken back to Atlantic City tomorrow by the Atlantic City detectives and it is believed will there weaken and confess, when William hears of Orvis' story and the two are confronted with the evidence against them.

The Atlantic City detectives are warm in their praise of the Petersburg officials, but for whose prompt and efficient action the two men might have escaped.

It is learned from Chief Ragland that William Seyler, the elder of the alleged criminals, served a term of 60 days in jail here in 1903 for robbing a car on the Seaboard Air Line Railway.

Atlantic City, N. J., Feb. 17.—The local police will use every effort to prevent any public demonstration on the arrival of the Seyler brothers, accused of complicity in the death of Jane Adams, and who will arrive here tomorrow night.

Police will guard them from any attempt of attack and they will be hurried to jail. Families of the accused men still insist on their innocence and are endeavoring to raise money to secure a lawyer to defend them. Mrs. William Seyler, wife of the man openly accused by the police of murdering Jane Adams, is prostrated. Police officials refuse tonight to make any statement regarding the evidence which they claim to have against the two men. Coroner Sontheimer announced that the inquest into the death of Jane Adams would be held early next week when the police evidence against the Seylers will be disclosed.

HOUSE BURNED TO GROUND.

Peddlar Who Gave Alarm First Mistaken for Burglar.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Mount, N. C., Feb. 17.—Yesterday morning the home of Mr. Henry Daughtridge, on the Hargrove place, about a mile from this city, was burned to the ground shortly before the noon hour. The fire started in the roof of the house and the top of the residence was burning furiously before it was discovered. The contents were saved with a few exceptions. The loss will be in the neighborhood of $1,000 with no insurance. The fire was first discovered by a peddlar who happened to be passing about that time and he rushed to the house to tell them that the building was on fire; after knocking at the door and yelling, he took for granted that there was no one at home and he broke in the door, knocking it off its hinges. Mrs. Daughtridge thought that the man was breaking in to rob and she rushed into the yard and started in the direction of the field to call her husband when the peddlar rushed through the house and calling to her showed her that the building was on fire.

OUTLINES.

Senator Jeff Davis, of Arkansas, in opposing a bill authorizing a pipe line across that State, bitterly criticised the oil trust, John D. Rockefeller, and Senator Owen, of Oklahoma, the sponser of the measure——Secretary of Commerce and Labor Charles Nagle in an address last night before the Industrial Club, of Chicago, spoke for Federal control of corporations as essential to the commercial interests of the country——The State investigation into the New York Senate scandal was concluded yesterday when Senator Conger mentioned the former speaker of the Assembly as the last of the trio of alleged grafters——The Seyler brothers, charged with the murder of Jane Adams at Atlantic City, have agreed to return without requisition; they told conflicting stories as to the murder——Twelve alleged "night riders" were indicted in the Federal court at Covington, Ky., yesterday charged with conspiracy in restraint of trade ——New York markets: Money on call easy 2 1-2 to 3 per cent., ruling rate and closing bid 2 3-4, offered at 3; spot cotton closed steady, middling uplands 14.80, middling gulf 15.05; flour steady with a fair inquiry; wheat easy No. 2 red 1.31 nominal elevator, domestic and nominal f. o. b. afloat; corn spot steady No. 2 nominal elevator domestic and delivered f. o. b. afloat 72 3-4 nominal; oats spot firm, mixed nominal; rosin and turpentine quiet.

FLAYS OIL TRUST IN THE SENATE

Jeff Davis Bitterly Denounced Bill Authorizing a Pipe Line.

ALSO ATTACKS SENATOR OWEN

Declares He Would Like to See Rockefeller Consigned to Perdition—Bill Opposed Only by Arkansas Senator.

Washington, Feb. 17.—Senator Jeff Davis, of Arkansas, startled the Senate today with a declaration that he would like to see John D. Rockefeller consigned to perdition and burned in flames caused by the consumption of the products of the Standard Oil Company.

He spoke in opposition to a bill authorizing an oil and gas pipe line across the public lands of Arkansas Accusing Senator Owen, sponsor of the bill, with a business connection with the Standard Oil Company, he engaged in a spirited colloquy with that senator.

The bill had been passed at a previous session of the Senate and was recalled by Mr. Owen to accommodate Mr. Davis.

Mr. Owen denied all connection with the Standard Oil Company and said that the oil in Oklahoma could be taken out only through pipe lines crossing Arkansas.

On the passage of the bill Mr. Davis cast the only negative vote.

Mr. Davis asserted that the bill was in the interest of the Prairie Creek Company, which, he said, was a branch of the Standard Oil Company. Believing this to be the truth, he said that he could not sit idly by and allow to be passed a bill which was in direct conflict with the anti-trust law of his State.

This law, he said, had proved to be effective, while the Sherman Federal anti-trust law had done absolutely nothing to check the grasp and greed of the Standard Oil Company. Hence he concluded that the provision requiring compliance with the Sherman law to be a mere sop to catch the votes of Senators, who would not openly cast their votes in favor of the set of thieves and robbers which constitutes the Standard Oil Company.

Growing more demonstrative and pointing his finger at Senator Owen Mr. Davis exclaimed:

"Will the Senator deny that the Standard Oil Company is one of the most iniquitous and damnable trusts that ever existed?" He went on to say that by the law this company could not come into Arkansas. "Then," he asked, "will Congress give them this right?"

Referring to the operations of the Prairie Creek Company in Oklahoma he said it was the same concern that had caused so much scandal in that State and was one in whose behalf Gov. Haskell had interferred to the extent of creating a stench which filled the nostrils of everybody. He added that the Oklahoma governor had gone on step by step until he had got himself indicted, and said such legislation and such favoritism as had been seen in Oklahoma would cause another equally serious scandal.

"We don't want the Standard Oil Company in Arkansas," he exclaimed. "The only place that I would be willing to see a pipe line laid for the Standard Oil Company would be straight from here to hell, and I should want to see the oil flowing directly there. Furthermore I should be glad to see that old he trust magnate, John D. Rockefeller, there to receive the oil and would be glad to see the flames that its appearance would create wrapped snugly around him."

He repeated his challenge to the Democrats to vote for the bill and declared that Mr. Owen would be the only one to cast his vote in its favor. said that his support was due to the fact that in some way the Oklahoma senator was believed to be interested in the Standard Oil Company.

The imputation brought the Indian senator from the new State to his feet, but he was smiling when he said: "The impudent speech which the Senator from Arkansas has just delivered has no foundation in fact."

"Well, Mr. President, the senator acts like he is interested," responded Mr. Davis, smiling. "He talks like he is interested, and, by jinks, I believe he is interested."

"I thank God," responded Mr. Davis, "that I have never made an exhibition in favor of the Standard Oil Company." He went on to say that "oil didn't smell good to him and that he didn't like it."

Then he exclaimed, in sonorous tones, "before God, Mr. President, I would rather have my right hand forget its cunning; my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth, and the mother who bore me disown me than appear here as an advocate of such a concern as the Standard Oil Company."

Senator Owen said the Standard Oil Company had been admitted to Arkansas by the legal authorities of the State. "By what authority?" demanded Mr. Davis.

"Does the Senator from Oklahoma yield?" asked Senator Gamble in the chair.

"I decline to yield," said Mr. Owen. "The Senator from Arkansas has forfeited his right to consideraton from the Senator from Oklahoma. He has forfeited his right to the respect of the Senator from Oklahoma. I desire that he remember that." His voice rang with indignation.

When he had taken his seat, Senator Davis said:

"So far as forfeiting the respect of the senator from Oklahoma I care nothing. I toss it to the winds. I never had any for him in the first place."

Davis closed his speech with another reference to J. D. Rockefeller whom he characterized as "Old Sly Fox," but he admitted that he had many friends in court and out.

GOVERNMENT INDICTS TWELVE

Alleged "Night Riders" at Covington, Ky., for Conspiracy in Restraint of Trade—Members of the Burley Society.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 17.—The first blow struck by the United States against alleged "night riders" was delivered today when a Federal grand jury at Covington, Ky., returned indictments against 12 men of Dry Ridge, Ky., for conspiracy in restraint of trade. One of the men indicted is John S. Steers, a member of the State Legislature. The indictments charge that the defendants conspired to prevent W. T. Osborne from shipping four hogsheads of tobacco from Dry Ridge to Cincinnati on November 26th, 1907. They are charged with having intimidated by threats of violence both Osborne and the station agent at Dry Ridge.

The object is declared to have been to compel the grower to pool his tobacco instead of selling it to concerns outside Kentucky.

The men indicted are John S. Steers, a member of the Kentucky Legislature; Perry Simpson, A. C. Webb, Jerry S. Carter, Hugh Lee Conrad, Fred C. Conrad, R. Lee Conrad, John W. Callender, John Caldwell, William Mulligan, Marion Bennett and Isaac Newton Conrad. All are residents of Grant county.

The Federal government will prosecute the cases as arising under interstate commerce.

Washington, Feb. 17.—Information concerning the indictment of the 12 alleged "night riders" by the Federal grand jury at Covington today for acts perpetrated in a Northern Kentucky tobacco district, constituting a conspiracy in restraint of interstate trade, was received by the Department of Justice today from Edward P. Grosvenor, one of the assistants to Wade H. Ellis, who has been supervising the investigations into the alleged night rider outrages on independent tobacco growers. The offense on which these indictments are based is characterized as one of the most literal examples of restraining in trade that has ever come to the attention of the department.

Mr. Ellis made this statement concerning the contemplated prosecution: "It developed at a recent hearing of the officers and representatives of the Burley Tobacco Society in Washington that the chief grievance against the society or any of its members, were these acts of violence, depredation and forcible opposition to the shipment of tobacco to points outside the State by independent growers, who refused to join the society. The officers of the society disavow any responsibility for the acts of these night riders, and the government determined to select what seemed to be a clear case of the physical prevention of interstate shipments of tobacco and to prosecute, under the criminal sections of the Sherman Act, the individual perpetrators. It is the hope that if this prosecution succeeds it will put an end to these acts of lawlessness and intimidation. The action taken by the government is not against the Burley Society itself as an organization in restraint of trade."

ALIMONY TO MRS. HAYNOR.

Judge Martin Decided Hotly Contested Divorce Action.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 17.—Judge Martin today decided the hotly contested divorce action of Mrs. Jennie E. Haynor, now of Allentown, Pa., against Thomas H. Haynor, a prominent Norfolk business man, by granting the wife's petition with permanent alimony of $75 per month.

This is just such a case that proposed divorce legislation now being fought in the Virginia Legislature would directly affect. Under present Virginia law it is optional with the plaintiff only whether if three years' application shall be made for permanent divorce with privilege of remarriage. Proposed changes would give the defendant similar rights.

ODD FELLOW BOARD MEETS.

View Completed Jacobi Memorial Building For First Time.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Feb. 17.—The board of trustees of the I. O. O. F. State Orphans' Home, situated so beautifully in this city, were in session here this afternoon and there was a full and interested attendance of members as follows: M. W. Jacobi, chairman, Wilmington; P. H. Williams, of Elizabeth City; Grand Master, Dr. L. B. McBrayer, of Asheville; C. B. Edwards, and C. F. Lumsden, of Raleigh; C. Dewey and W. A. J. Peacock, of this city, and Grand Secretary B. H. Woodall, of Raleigh.

The board will have the pleasure of viewing for the first time the completed Jacobi Memorial Building which is as imposing in proportions and stability as it is beautiful in design and finishngs.

FEDERAL CONTROL AS A NECESSITY

Secretary Nagel Strongly Favors Regulating the Corporations.

ADDRESSES A CHICAGO CLUB

Says President Taft's Measure as to Corporations Would be for General Good—Expresses His Opinion.

Chicago, Feb. 17.—Federal control of corporations is necessary to the commercial preservation of the country declared Charles Nagel, Secretary of Commerce and Labor, of the United States, in an address before the Industrial Club here tonight.

As to the power of the national government to authorize the organization of Federal corporations, Mr. Nagel said there could be no question. The existing system of clashing State laws —"A system on all sides at war with itself"—he regarded as intolerable and he assured his hearers that the consequence of a Federal corporation law such as President Taft has proposed, could make for nothing but the general good.

The purpose of the government to regulate the corporations, in the opinion of the secretary, could not be considered as an attempt to encroach upon State authority, but as a determination to "employ old authority for the solution of new problems." A change of attitude regarding the relation of National to State authority he believed, had come over the country with the development of problems too big for the State individually to meet.

"Among the more important problems", said Secretary Nagel, "appears to be the question whether or not the National Government may and should authorize and regulate the organization and conduct of Federal corporations. Only a few years ago the bare suggestion of such an idea filled the public with dismay. The authority was denied and the policy was questioned. Today, the irreconcilable conflicts to which ordinary business organizations are subjected in our States have forced a general recognition that something must be done to relieve the situation

"The idea is not limited to any particular locality of our country or to any special class. From all parts, East and West, North and South, city and country, come the suggestions that some relief upon these lines must be worked out. The proposition has now been squarely put before the country. The President of the United States has made a distinct recommendation in a message, calling attention to the needs, and submitting for consideration a form to which legislators and constituents may give their attention."

In considering the proposition, Secretary Nagel stated that three points must be determined: First, the question of the government's authority; second, the conditions which make advisable such legislation, and third, the consequence of such legislation.

"It has seemed to me from the very start," said the Secretary on the question of authority, "that no one could subject this question to a thoughtful consideration without arriving at the conclusion that the Federal Congress must undoubtedly have the authority.

"From the earliest case in which the exclusive rights of Congress to regulate interstate commerce was considered, it was made apparent that the authority to provide for the organization of business corporations was a necessary incident to the exercise of that authority and again and again the Supreme Court has said that Congress has this power."

The charge against the States that they had neglected their opportunities in dealing with the corporations, Secretary Nagel said he did not believe, but he attributed the failure of the States to cope with the commercial conditions to inability rather than to negligence.

"The plain and indisputable fact is", he said, "that the commerce of these organizations with which we are really concerned has outgrown both the boundaries and the authority of any particular State. In other words, the individual State is vainly struggling to control conditions that extend beyond it with respect to territory as well as power and the modern demand for Congressional action is nothing but the plain, practical call for an authority that is equal to the occasion with which it has to deal. Realizing that we have a National commerce, we are naturally calling upon National authority to control it, and to protect it."

Secretary Nagel recited the development of business enterprises in the country, showing the gradual growth to the big corporation and the attempts of the States to legislate and the resultant trouble because of the varying laws, and he pointed particularly to one result of conditions as they existed.

"Not only is commerce subjected to inconsistent, conflicting and often destructive regulations," he said, "but the inevitable effect of such activity is to create false competition between the States at the expense of that commerce. The State of lowest standards forces the hand of all the rest. Attempts at progressive legislation

are paralyzed just as one unfair competitor always lowers standards everywhere. Nor will the efforts of the several States to promote unity of legislation meet this difficulty. These efforts are most praiseworthy with respect to all subjects which rest within the exclusive control of the several States; as to National subjects they are worse than useless.

"All co-operation in matters political means government, and why resort to mere understandings without binding force among the States, when we have a common government to deal with a common cause? Why not have our Federal government legislate where our Governors can only confer and recommend?"

The need and purpose of Federal control of corporations, the Secretary stated, he believed to be "simply to place a private business company in its commercial activity precisely where the Constitution undertook to put the citizens of the United States. The purpose is to organize companies that may engage in interstate commerce under regulations fixed by the Federal government and free from the unnatural and uneconomical embarrassments which so far any State has been at liberty to interpose."

ENGLISH POLITICS.

Another General Election Not Unlikely in Three Months.

London, Feb. 17.—This has been politically one of the most exciting days since the general elections and if present indications are to be trusted another general election is not unlikely within three months. All evidence points in the direction of an acute crisis having arisen. The cabinet council which is now siting daily had a two hours' session this morning and Premier Asquith had an audience with the King in the afternoon, after which the cabinet council resumed its sitting.

George M. Barnes, the new chairman of the Labor party in parliament, sent a manifesto to Premier Asquith, protesting against the budget question, preceding the veto question in the House and declaring that in the event of this protest being disregarded the Laborites would vote against the government. The negotiations between the government and the Nationalists are in a very unsatisfactory state, it being reported that John Redmond had failed to carry his demands.

While an alliance between the Nationalists and the Laborites in a campaign to force Premier Asquith to take up the matter of the veto before the budget undoubtedly presents a serious situation, the premier himself does not appear to be alarmed. It is believed in spite of today's threatening procedure that neither the Nationalists nor Laborites desire to force another general election for which the party funds are not ready, and all difficulties may vanish when the veto bill which the cabinet is daily engaged in drafting sees light. Late tonight Mr. Redmond confirmed the report that no arrangement had been reached with the Liberals.

T. P. O'Connor in an article which he has contributed to his weekly paper says it is all a question of tactics. To begin a campaign by submitting the budget to the House of Lords whether they were willing to accept it or not, he declares, would be a surrender, and he adds that all talk about financial chaos is irrelevant.

"We want to make a revolution, or we don't," he says. "If we do, we ought to think in revolutionary terms and do revolutionary deeds."

THE N. & S. TANGLE.

Report Filed as to Bonds—Money Paid the Receivers.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 17.—There was no "inequality of distribution" in the $14,000,000 Norfolk and Southern bonds outstanding that Edward Street & Company, of New York, have received back voluntarily and now hold, according to the report filed today by W. W. Old, appointed by Federal Judge Waddill, as special master under the Fergas Reid petition to all alleged irregularities in the original organization of the Norfolk & Southern Railway. He declares also that the payments by the receivers of $50,000 each to Marsden J. Perry and Ashleigh Thorne, of Atlanta, and of $150,000 to Sweet & Company for services rendered were not too high and that $256,000 paid to the Trust Company of America was not evorbitant.

SOLD RACE TRACK TIPS.

Then Came to Grief in Chicago Where He Operated.

Chicago, Feb. 17.—Walter A. Woolf, of New York, said to be proprietor of a turf information bureau, was arrested today by Federal officers on a warrant, issued at Jacksonville, Fla., where Woolf had previously operated.

Woolf is accused of sending out letters postmarked New York and Jacksonville saying that he had a tip on a sure winner at the Jacksonville race track; that he was commissioned to place $5,000 on the horse in question and that he would pass the tip along for a nominal sum.

Postal inspectors seized nearly 100 letters in his rooms at three Chicago hotels. Each letter is declared to have contained $1 or $2. United States Commissioner Foote set Wolf's hearing for February 25th.

WOULD FIGHT A DUEL

Real Estate Dealer's Effort to Get Banker to "Shoot It Out."

St. Louis, Feb. 17.—Pointing a revolver at Simon Seelig, president of the Savings Trust Company, Martin L. Dawson, a real estate dealer today, challenged the banker to a duel.

"Get your gun and come outside," demanded Dawson, still pointing his weapon at Seelig. "We'll shoot it out."

Seelig threw upon his coat for the visitor's inspection. "I have not got a gun," he declared.

During a conversation a clerk called a policeman. Dawson was overpowered and arrested. He asserts that Seelig owes him money.

The two fought a duel in front of the bank last July following a similar challenge in Seelig's office. Shots were exchanged, but neither was injured.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 17.—Governor Mann today granted a respite until March 25th to Angelo Hamilton, in the penitentiary here under sentence of death for having killed Mrs. Sallie Hix, last June. After discovered evidence was the plea.

Woman's Beauty

Dependent on Health

A woman's beauty is dependent on her health. To keep your beauty you must keep your health. Sickness and suffering leave their traces, pain robs you of your good looks. Women generally have come to realize that to be beautiful and attractive they must give attention to physical fitness and health.

Thousands of women suffer from ailments generally designated as "female trouble," thinking it is the natural lot of their sex to suffer so. This is a mistaken belief. Nature invariably has a cure for her children's ills.

Thousands of women have found permanent relief and help for their sufferings by using that natural, herbal medicine—Cardui. Cardui is a pure, non-intoxicating preparation, made specifically for women, which has grown steadily in favor during the past 50 years. Letters pour in every day expressing the gratitude of the writers, who have been relieved of their misery and restored to health.

When you are nervous or sick, get Cardui from your druggist and try it.

N. B. Upon request, we will send you, free of charge, our valuable, illustrated 64-page book "Home Treatment for Women." In it you will find useful information regarding the treatment of female troubles.

Address: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Take CARDUI

G 229

MANIA FOR POISONING.

Dr. Hyde Had Inoculated Family With Typhoid Baccili.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 17.—To the accusation made against Dr. B. C. Hyde was added today the formal statement that evidence had been found tending to prove that he had inoculated members of the Swope family with typhoid baccilli.

In answer to a petition filed in the Circuit Court of Independence by Dr. Hyde, asking that Attorney John G. Paxton be compelled to produce certain letters that passed between Paxton and Dr. Ludwig Heftoen, of Chicago, Mr. Paxton today accused Dr. Hyde of bad faith in attempting to produce evidence tending to prove that the plaintiff had murdered, by the administration of poison, Thomas H. Swope and Chrisman Swope has also attempted to poison Margaret Swope and by the same kind of treatment had communicated to the members of the Swope family typhoid fever.

Veiled charges against Dr. Hyde in connection with the death of Chrisman Swope and the alleged poisoning of Miss Margaret Swope had been frequently made but the charge that the physician communicated typhoid bacilli to members of the family had never been made openly before. The typhoid epidemic in the Swope home is the most mysterious feature of the case. No one has ever successfully explained the origin of the disease; yet eight persons in the home were stricken by typhoid fever between December 1st and 22nd, 1909.

Dr. Hyde was in attendance at the Swope home until December 18th, when the nurses struck on account of his presence.

The preliminary hearing of Dr. B. C. Hyde was continued for one week by Justice W. S. Loar today. The bond of $50,000 was renewed. Five witnesses were before the grand jury today.

THE RACQUET CHAMPIONS.

Three Winners in Tournament at Boston Yesterday.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 17.—Barrett Wendell, Jr., of Boston; William Stackpole, of New York, and N. W. Cabot, of Boston, were the winners today in the preliminary round of the American Amateur Racquet Championship Tournament at the tennis and racquet club. The match between Stackpole and C. Hutchins, of Boston, was the most interesting of the three played this afternoon, five games being necessary to decide the contest. W. B. Graves put up a hard battle against Barrett Wendell, Jr., in the first match of the day, but he was unable to maintain the pace set by his opponent. N. W. Cabot had no difficulty in winning from W. B. Dinsmore, of New York.

Double Tracking.

High Point Enterprise: The Southern Railway Co., is pushing the double tracking between Salisbury and Charlotte. It has the largest force of hands at work that it has ever had on any part of the road at one time. With good weather the double tracking will be completed between these two points by Summer. It is to be hoped that the company will also begin to work on the double track between Greensboro and Danville as soon as this is completed, if not before. It is needed between these two points more than any other place on the road, unless it is between Monroe and Charlottesville, Va.

Lynchburg, Va., Feb. 17.—Rev. Wallace E. Rollins, of Sweet Briar College (Va.) has withdrawn his acceptance of a call to the rectorship of St. Paul's Episcopal church here because of ill health.

Chicago, Feb. 17.—The new $500,000 ball park of the Chicago American League Club will open July 1st according to an announcement made by Chas. A. Comiskey today. The St. Louis club is scheduled to play here on that date.

New York, Feb. 15.—Magnates of the National League of professional baseball clubs failed to reach any agreement in New York today on a schedule of games for the coming season. After indulging in heated debate from 2 o'clock this afternoon until after 9 o'clock tonight, adjournment was taken until 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

MONROE AND "NEAR-BEER."

High License no Bar to Enterprising Purveyor of Slop.

(Charlotte Observer.)

Monroe, Feb. 16.—The decision of the Supreme Court in the case of Parker vs. Griffith, which went up from this county a short time ago, having held that a sheriff was compelled to issue a State and county license to sell near-beer to anyone applying for same who tendered the money for the State and county tax, made the board of aldermen get busy and they imposed a license tax of $1,000 a year upon near-beer dealers within the corporate limits of Monroe. It was generally supposed that the size of this tax would deter anyone from opening a near-beer shop in the town, but yesterday Mr. Walter Kirsch, representing the Consumers' Brewing Company, of Norfolk, Va., came here and announced that he purposed going into the business and was ready to pay the license taxes. This announcement has caused considerable stir in the community, and The Monroe Journal of yesterday, after bestowing some pretty hard raps on the near-beer business, suggested the raising of a fund to employ counsel to fight the establishment of the business here, and led off with a subscription of $10. The Journal also advocated the arrest of anyone who attempted to open a near-beer joint; but it is difficult to see how anyone who paid the required license taxes and complied with the other requirements of the town ordinance could be lawfully arrested for doing what the law authorizes him to do. Union county has, or thought it had, a local law against the sale of any drinks "containing alcohol"; but the decision of the Supreme Court in the case named above seems to have driven a coach-and-four right through the local law.

POSTAL SAVINGS BANK BILL.

Senate Gives Assurances to President Taft at White House.

Washington, Feb. 17.—Assurances of the passage through the Senate of the Postal Savings Bank bill practically were given President Taft tonight at a conference in the White House. The House was represented at the conference by Representative Weeks, of Massachusetts, chairman of the committee on postoffices. The others who took part in the conference were Senator Penrose, chairman of the committee on postoffices and postroads, Aldrich, Root, Crane and Carter, the last named being in charge of the savings bank measure. All of them appeared optimistic.

It is understood on good authority, however, that the amendments offered and presented by Senators Root and Smoot will be withdrawn. That offered by Senator Root provides for the investment of postal bank funds in government bonds, while Senator Smoot's amendment is diametrically opposed to this plan prohibiting the withdrawal of such funds from local banks in which they may have been deposited.

The agreement of both senators to recall their amendments in the interest of harmony clears the way for quick consideration of the bill. Tonight's available solution of the snarl into which the savings bank bill was forced is interpreted by the majority in Congress as indicating that practically all of the so called administration measures will be advanced by similar methods. The postal bill will be taken up tomorrow.

SEARCH FOR NINA STOPPED

Navy Abandons Efforts For Tug and Crew of 32 Souls.

Washington, Feb. 17.—All hope that the missing United States navy tug Nina, which left Norfolk February 6th bound to Boston with 32 souls aboard, is still afloat, has been abandoned by the Navy Department and today the warships which for five days have been searching for the Nina were ordered to discontinue their hunt.

The reason given for the abandonment of the search was that there could be no hope for safety of a vessel of the Nina's type which had been out of port 11 days on a cruise which should have been completed in two or three at the outside. Hhe further fact that a dozen vessels have scoured the sea between Boston and Washington has tended to confirm this opinion.

What Kind of Coffee Is This?

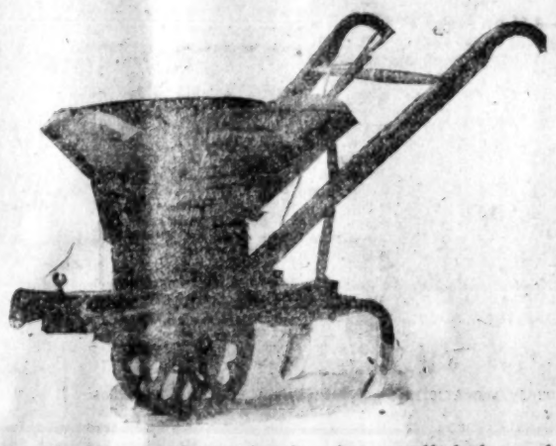
Why, it's a smooth, rich, high-grade Coffee of fine flavor, delicious aroma and perfect freshness. Its price? Very moderate, indeed—half what it should be. Ask your grocer. It's sold everywhere.

THE REILY-TAYLOR CO.,
NEW ORLEANS, U. S. A.

K. P. Fertilizer Distributors

Over 3,000 Sold to Satisfied Customers

and it has not taken ten dollars' worth of repairs for the 3,000 in over five years.



They carry large loads Are well balanced. Scatters fertilizer and covers it. Wind shields on all new machines at no extra cost. Prevents the guano from blowing away.

Nothing about it to break or get out of order. Light running. Guaranteed to give satisfaction or your money back.

Price $10

We want one good merchant in every town to handle it.

N. Jacobi Hardware Co.

Sole Agents for North Carolina.

fe 18 tf

A Record Order for Typewriters Is Given the Victor Typewriter Co.

For 7,500

Victor Machines.

The Victor Typewriter Company has recently received an order from the International Correspondence Schools of Scranton, Pennsylvania, for 7,500 Victor Typewriters to be delivered to them as soon as possible.

The International Correspondence School has also entered into agreement with the Victor Typewriter Company to use the Victor exclusively in all its offices and among its students. For several years the above mentioned company has endeavored to find a typewriter suitable to their needs and after a careful and exhaustive examination of all typewriters on the market, they decided that the Victor machine fills the requirements of typewriter users, is better constructed, and possesses more up-to-date practical features than any other machine on the market. After giving the matter due consideration, they placed the above mentioned order with the Victor Typewriter Company and also entered into the above mentioned agreement.

When the high character of the International Correspondence Schools is taken into consideration, both with respect to financial standing and its business methods, this transaction is certainly the highest testimonial for excellence, the Victor machine could possibly have.

State Agent:

Ramos Typewriter Co.,

Phone 1134. P. O. Box 54.

115 Market St. Wilmington, N. C.

Advertising Cures Business Stagnation.

GEO. O. GAYLORD'S

Great Stock Reducing Sale

Begins To-Day

Goods have been marked down on every hand and must be sold. A few of the items we mention here. Thousands more on display.

Full size Cotton blankets at	33c
Window Shades in seconds of Opaque linen	17 1-2c
10 yards of Standard shirting good quality	59c
Mens heavy weight fleeced lined shirts and pants 50c value for	29c
34 inch double fold suiting, a good 10c dress goods, for 5c per yard	
100 $4.00 and $5.00 Ladies silkand velvet hats for	75c each
10 yards of dress ginghams for	44c
Shirt Waists, the 50c quality, for	35c
Suit Cases, brass trimmings size 26 inches, $1.00 value at	69c
Boys extra fleeced lined shirts and pants, all sizes at	43c per suit
A large huck towel, 10c value, for	6c
A 10c box of Talcum Powder of crush roses for	5c
Ladies ribbed black hose full size, 10c value for	5c
Best Table Oil cloth at 15c per yard in colors.	
8 qt. milk bucket for	10c
A 10 inch Sweat Pad for	25c
A splendid leather haulter for	27c
1-2 gal. water pitcher for	16c
Cuticle Toilet Soap, a splendid article, 5c value for	1c
Splendid Val Lace at	3c per yard
Beautiful Embroidery at	5c per yard
Ladies Handkerchiefs at	3c each
Mens grey hose at	1c a pair

This Sale will last 9 days, and we have thousands of splendid things which we want to sell you at Gaylord's Big Store on Front Street.

GAYLORD'S

BIG DEPARTMENT STORE

210, 212, 214 N. FRONT ST.

fe 18 tf

The Most Delicious Hot Chocolate With Whipped Cream ..... In the City

Hot Beef Bouillon. Hot Clam Bouillon. Hot Oyster Bouillon. Hot Lemonade.

If you have a bad cold come to us before closing hour, get a hot Lemonade and go right to bed and the following morning you will feel a heap better.

Fresh flower seeds of every kind just received today. Now is the time to begin to plant.

J. HICKS BUNTING DRUG CO.

FRONT AND GRACE STREETS.

"The Drug Store That Has Everything Anybody Else Has and Some Things Nobody Else Has."

fe 20 tf

A Few More Days of Grace!

From now until January 1st, at which date we take stock, we will sell goods cheaper than ever.

While our holiday trade was heavier than ever before, we still have plenty of bright, new, fresh goods with which to supply the requirements of our customers. Our low prices will greatly help out those who have had considerable expense during the holidays.

Call and examine our goods and get our prices if interested.

Remember that these prices are until Jan. 1st, 1910, only. Dollars saved by buying now.

The Wilmington Furniture Co.

Wilmington, N. C.

COAL AND WOOD

Oak, Blackjack, Short and Long Leaf Pine and Soft Coal.

BUILDING MATERIAL

High grade Lime, Portland Cement, Wall Plaster, etc. Cypress Shingles—all grades.

W. B. THORPE & CO., Inc.

Phone 789.

THE STATE IN EPITOME

News, Comment and Incidents as Reflected in North Carolina.

TEACHERS' TRAINING SCHOOL.

Interesting News Items From State Institution at Greenville.

(Special Star Corresopndence.)

Greenville, N. C., Feb. 17.—President Wright is delighted with a recent visit to the schools of Elizabeth City——Miss Mary V. Jones, of Eufala, Ala., has arrived and taken up her work as matron——President Wright atended the meeting in Goldsboro of the S. E. Division of County Superintendents. He reports a fine, enthusiastic meeting.

The students recently had a jolly oyster roast on Tar river.

On the evening of February 7th the school attended an organ recital given by Prof. Muelberger, of Atlantic College, at the Jarvis Memorial Church.

Prof. H. E. Austin conducted the meeting of Pitt County Teachers' Association Saturday, February 12th. He gave the first of a series of three lectures on The Recitation.

President Wright and Prof. Wilson attended the State Association of City School Superintendents in Durham. Mr. Wilson was re-elected secretary for the fourth time.

At the invitation of the county superintendents President Wright and Profs. Wilson and Ragsdale have addressed a number of Teachers' Meetings. President Wright spoke to the teachers of Sampson county at Clinton, February 5th; Prof. Ragsdale addressed those of Nash county at Nashville, January 28th; of Vance county at Henderson, January 29th; of Wilson county at Wilson, February 5th. Prof. Wilson met those of Chowan at Edenton February 5th; Prof. Ragsdale will be at Weldon, Halifax county, February 18th, and at Rich Square, Northampton county, February 19th Mr. Wilson will go to Trenton, Jones county, February 18th.

WARNING TO CORPORATIONS.

Attention is called to the provisions of Section 38 of the Act of August 5th 1909, requiring corporations, joint Stock Companies, Associations and Insurance Companies subject to the Special Excise Taxes therein imposed, to make returns to the Collector of their gross and net incomes for the calendar year 1909, on or before the first day of March, 1910; and to the penalties imposed by the 8th paragraph of said Section 38 for neglect or refusal to render such returns, or for rendering a false and fraudulent return. There remain but a few days in which to render the required returns in order to escape the penalty which is from one to $10,000 fine, or $1,000 and one year imprisonment. It is not the desire of this department that any organization in the district shall be penalized for failure to comply with the statute, and persistent efforts have been made to supply every incorporated concern with a copy of the law and one or more blank returns to fit the business carried on; and any who have failed to receive them will be supplied upon application to this office. Failure to receive the blanks will not justify a failure to make the return within the prescribed time, nor relieve the corporation or company from the penalties prescribed for such failure.

The first of March is near and after that date envelopes in which returns are transmitted are to be preserved as evidence.

WHEELER MARTIN,
Collector.

CHATHAM RABBIT CROP.

Some Figures of the "Output" During the Past Year—Birds.

(Siler City Grit.)

The game season, which closed yesterday, Feb. 15th, was much better in this section this year than last year. During the seasons of 1905 and 1906 there were about 35,000 rabbits shipped from this place, each. In 1907 there were about 25,000 rabbits and 10,000 birds. In 1908 not half that amount was shipped owing to the extreme mildness of the Winter and the unprecedented freshets of the preceding Summer. This season, however, the amount is much larger, there being shipped from this place, 19,166 rabbits and 8,007 birds. This is not taking into consideration the home consumption. Our produce dealers tell us that the rabbits are more numerous now than for the last several years, this being due no doubt to the increased area of leased and posted land. So if this Summer is fairly dry, we may expect a bumper crop next Fall. The shipments from Bear Creek of rabbits amounts to 5,425, of birds, 3,380. The shipments from Goldston of rabbits is 850, of birds 700. This gives a total for western Chatham, (not including what were carried to Staley and Liberty, in Randolph), of 25,441 rabbits and 12,087 birds.

ROCKY MOUNT AFFAIRS.

President McNeill Addresses Firemen —Death of Mr. Gordon.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Mount, Feb. 17.—President James D. McNeill, of Fayetteville, of the State Firemen's Association, met the local fire laddies Wednesday night in the office of the Recorder in the municipal building, and in addition to a short talk on the matters pertaining to the welfare of the firemen he placed the matter of entering into the organization of the Firemen's Fire Insurance Co. before the local firemen.

News was received in this city this afternoon of the death of Mr. W. R. Gordon, special attorney of the Atlantic Coast Line, which occurred after a three days' illness of pneumonia, in Charlottesville, Va. Mr. Gordon has made his home in this city since February, 1907, during which time he has won the esteem and confidence of of The deceased was about 45 years old ficials, employes and citizens as well and leaves a wife, five children along with several brothers and sisters. He was a graduate of the University of Virginia and the law school there.

What you may have been calling the "good fortune in business affairs" of someone you know may be simply the courage to advertise.

ATTEMPTED IMMEDIATE ESCAPE.

Solomon Shepard, Slayer of Engineer Holt, Near Death.

(News and Observer.)

Solomon Shepard's sentence of 30 years in the penitentiary came very near developing into a life sentence yesterday—and a very brief one at that. Shots from the rifles of two guards at the State's prison yesterday morning about 10 o'clock lacked only the fraction of an inch of sending Solomon to that bourne whence no traveler returns. The shot punctured his clothing and grazed the skin, bringing a little blood, but the negro convict was not severely hurt before he stopped in his desperate attempt to escape. Solomon Shepard had not been inside the penitentiary walls 24 hours before he embraced his very first opportunity to escape.

He was convicted of murder in the second degree only last Monday and on Tuesday of this week the sheriff of Granville county turned him over to the authorities of the State's prison to serve the sentence of 30 years imposed upon him by Judge Biggs, for the killing of Engineer Holt at a coal chute near Durham, on the Southern Railway.

The negro, whose notorious career has been so recently aired in the Durham and other State papers, is now in shackles and the superintendent of the prison says he will be required to wear shackles hereafter—at least for several years.

Supt. Laughinghouse states that yesterday Solomon (who is a young negro of about 25 years of age) was put to work for the first time. He was assigned to help the workmen who are setting up the electric death chair, soon to be used for the first time in North Carolina.

While engaged in this duty, he thought he saw an opportunity to effect his escape and made a break for liberty. He ran from the main building of the penitentiary to the front or north gate of the stockade—a distance of about 100 yards—when two shots, one from the gun of each of two guards, brought him to a standstill.

Both shots penetrated the clothing of the convict and slightly grazed the skin. Had he continued in his attempt to get away he would probably have been killed by the next shots fired at him.

He was immediately taken into the building and placed in irons, which Superintendent Laughinghouse says he will continue to wear for years, and if found to be still unruly, as long as he remains a prisoner. As stated, his sentence is for 30 years. The negro convict's dash for liberty occurred about 10 o'clock yesterday morning.

UNDERWRITERS INSURANCE CO.

Annual Meeting Held at Rocky Mount. Fine Year.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Mount, N. C., Feb. 17.—In the offices of the company in the Planters' Bank building, the Underwriters Fire Insurance Co., yesterday afternoon held their fourth annual meeting, with all the directors in attendance. The organization was shown to be in the best of condition. The usual dividends of 6 per cent. on the capital stock was declared, while the officers of the previous year were again elected. They are, President, Dr. M. R. Braswell; vice president, Mr. T. J. Hackney; treasurer, J. C. Braswell; secretary, Mr. W. S. Wilkinson. The finance committee appointed were Messrs. Geo. S. Edwards, J. C. Braswell and Dr. George L. Wimberly, Jr.

The insurance company began business just four years ago at that time having a capital of $12,875, with a surplus of $12,875. The report of yesterday showed the surplus to be $19,136 in addition to having set aside a reinsurance reserve of $11,870.71, while the total assets were shown to be $84,592.85. During the life of the company they have paid to stockholders $9,270 in dividends. The losses paid during that time are shown to be about $15,000.

REACH $25,000,000 FIGURE.

The Output of the Factories of the Twin City of Winston-Salem.

(News and Observer.)

Winston-Salem, Feb. 16.—From statistics just compiled by the board of trade from confidential statements submitted by merchants and manufacturers it is learned that in the past year the 112 factories have turned out more than $25,000,000 worth of manufactured goods of which the following is a partial list:

Plug, twist and smoking tobacco and snuff, $17,827,500; knit goods, $1,225,000; furniture, $715,000; cotton and woolen goods, $880,000; wagons and carts, $519,000; iron and wood work, $670,000; fertilizer, $1,000,000 building material, $1,088,000; flour meal and bread, $367,250; shoes (manufactured) $550,000; candies $235,000; clothing, $102,000; drugs and soft drinks, $153,000.

The local factories consume and produce more than 500,000 tons (1,000,000,000 pounds) of freight yearly, and give employment to more than 10,000 employes who receive more than $3,300,000 annually in pay rolls.

ARROW COLLARS

Look well as long as they last—last longer than ordinary collars and cost no more

15c. each—2 for 25c.

Cluett, Peabody & Co., Makers
ARROW CUFFS, 25c. a Pair

MOTHER'S FRIEND

A LINIMENT FOR EXTERNAL USE.

Baby's coming will be a time of rejoicing, and not of apprehension and fear, if Mother's Friend is used by the expectant mother in preparation of the event. This is not a medicine to be taken internally, but a liniment to be applied to the body, to assist nature in the necessary physical changes of the system. Mother's Friend is composed of oils and medicines which prepare the muscles and tendons for the unusual strain, render the ligaments supple and elastic, aids in the expanding of the skin and flesh fibres, and strengthens all the membranes and tissues. It lessens the pain and danger at the crisis, and assures future health to the mother. Mother's Friend is sold at drug stores. Write for our free book, containing valuable information for expectant Mothers.

THE BRADFIELD CO., ATLANTA, GA.

New Arrivals

New style Caps, 25c to $1.50.
New style Clothing for men and boys.
New style Hats for young and old.
New style Shoes for the whole family.

Holeproof Socks and Stockings in all colors, all kinds.

Tailor-Made Suits

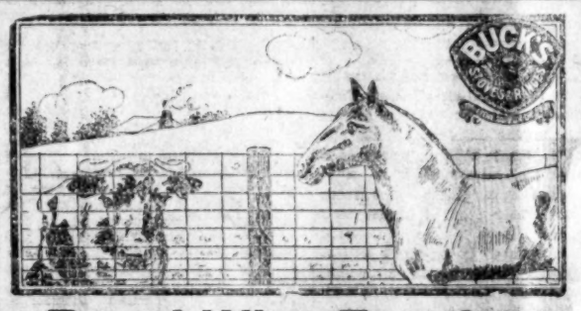
Special attention is given to our tailoring department. The line is new, up to date and of the very best makes.

Suits from $10.00 up to $45.00.

Just received some of the new handsome brown shades. Come in and look them over.

J. W. H. FUCHS
Head-to-Foot Outfitter.

fe 11 tf



Royal Wire Fencing

Manufactured by the American Steel & Wire Co. This is the best and strongest Field Fence they make. We are now receiving a car load, which will be ready for distribution tomorrow. Let us have your orders at once while we have a full assortment of sizes. This makes nine car loads of this fencing we have sold since last March. We have the business in field fencing.

We now have another car load of Bucks stoves on the way.

WM. E. SPRINGER & CO.
Purcell Building, Wilmington, N. C.

GASOLINE

OUR GASOLINE IS MORE VOLATILE THAN ANY GASOLINE ON THE MARKET, CONTAINING THE MAXIMUM PER CENT. OF POWER PER GALLON; MADE FROM ONE GRADE OF CRUDE, ENSURING UNIFORMITY IN QUALITY.

12c per Gallon in Galvanized Iron Barrels, F. O. B. Wilmington.

For Perfect Lubrication Use THEBEST Auto Oil.

Cape Fear Oil Co.

'PHONE 873.

We Are After the Men

who want good looking, durable and stylish Shoes at moderate prices We'll just put it mildly and say that We've the best $3.50 and $4.00 Shoes this country produces

In Pat. Kid, Gunmetal and Vici

$3 50 and $4 00

HEWLETT & PRICE
109 MARKET ST.

The Southern National Bank
Opposite Postoffice. Organized 1905.

Capital	$ 200,000.00
Surplus and Profits	145,000.00
Total Assets	2,225.000.00

MATT J. HEYER, President, CHAS. N. EVANS, Cashier.

Advertising Pays Best in The Morning Star

100 PROOF WHISKEY

3 GALS. $5
This Whiskey is
100 in Proof. 100 per cent Pure.
100 per cent Honest. 100 per cent Straight.
It's not a compound, nor an imitation, nor a Blend. It's just genuine, pure, honest, straight 100 proof Whiskey. It's the best in the United States and there's no use in telling a long story about its goodness. If you don't say so, we will buy it back and charge nothing for what you and your friends drink up. We need money and more trade—which explains our give-away prices:
3-Gallon Keg $5.00
4½-Gallon Keg $7.50
12 Full Quarts $5.00
Address:
ATLANTIC COAST DISTILLING CO.,
Jacksonville, Fla.
Return this ad.
At above prices we guarantee safe delivery to any express office.

Oliver Typewriters

To each purchaser of a New Oliver Typewriter—within the next ten days—we will give an up to date Toledo Roll Top Typewriter Desk.

Rebuilt typewriters of all kinds, Underwoods, Remingtons, Olivers and other standard makes at half original price. Typewriter Ribbons and Carbon of all kinds. Every one of our ribbons are guaranteed—or money refunded.

C. W. YATES & CO.
Market Street.

fe 13 tf

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK

OF WILMINGTON, N. C.

At the Close of Business, January 31st, 1910

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	$3,483,083 75
U. S. Bonds (at par)	551,000 00
Bank Building	25,000 00
N. C. State and other bonds	143,783 00
Cash and due by Banks	1,131,595 02
	$5,334,461 77

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock	$ 550,000 00
Surplus and Net Profit	375,579 08
Circulation	550,000 00
U. S. Bond Account	100,000 00
Deposits	3,758,882 69
	$5,334,461 77

DEPOSITS:

January 31st, 1908	$2,921,088 64
January 31st, 1909	$3,443,393 48
January 31st, 1910	$3,758,882 69

H. C. McQUEEN, President.
J. V. GRAINGER, Vice President.
J. W. YATES, Vice President.
C. S. GRAINGER, Cashier.

fe 4 tf

"A Stitch in Time Saves Nine"

Taek advantage of the commen sense contained in the above old adage, by giving us your orders for Stoves and Heaters before the cold weather arrives

We carry one of the largest stocks and best assortment of Hardware in the State at prices which defy competition.

Come in, call up 106 or 1020—or write and let us figure with you.

J. W. MURCHISON & COMPANY.
109-111 North Front Street.

Cotton Seed!

200 Bushels Bradly's Celebrated Cotton Seed.
800 Sacks Genuine Aroostook Co., Maine Seed Potatoes.
1,000 Bushels Texas Rust Proof Oats.
3,000 Kegs Steel and Cut Wire Nails.
1,000 Sacks Rice, (all grades)
250 Barrels Nice Mullets.
8,000 Sacks Common Fine Salt.
200 Sacks Rock Salt.
150 Sacks Ice Cream Salt.
300 Barrels Package Salt.

Get our prices. We are here to do business.

D. L. GORE CO.
Wholesale Grocers and Importers.
Wilmington, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect Thursday, September 30th, 1909

TO BEACH.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Front and Princess treets at 6:30, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 A. M. 3:00, 3:00, 4:30, 7:10 and 8:30 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Front and Princess treets at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10 and 8:30 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Lumina at 7:45, 9:15 and 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:45, 5:15 7:50 and 9:15 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Lumina at 9:45, 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:15, 3:45, 4:15, 4:45, 5:15 5:45, 6:25, 6:50, 7:15 and 9:15 P. M.

TO WRIGHTSVILLE.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Front and Princess streets at 6:50, 8:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M 1:00, 3:00, 4:30, 6:10, 7:10, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:00 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Front and Princess streets at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10 8:30, 10:00 and 11:00 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Wrightsville at 6:20, 7:55, 8:25, 9:25, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:55, 5:25, 6:55, 8:00, 9:25, 10:25 and 11:25 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Wrightsville at 9:55 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:25, 3:55, 4:25, 4:55 5:25, 6:55, 6:35, 7:00, 8:00, 9:25, 10:25 and 1:25 P. M.

CAROLINA PLACE.
FRONT AND PRINCESS
TO CAROLINA PLACE.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Front and Princess at 6:52 A. M., and every 15 minutes thereafter until 10:37 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Front and Princess 8:22 A. M., and every 5 minutes thereafter until 10:37 P. M.

TO FRONT AND PRINCESS.

WEEK DAYS—Leave 17th and Market at 6:45 A. M., and every 15 minutes thereafter until 10:45 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave 17th and Market at 8:30 A. M., and every 15 minutes thereafter until 10:45 P. M.

FREIGHT.

Leave Wilmington daily except Sunday at 4:00 P. M. Freight Depot from 3:00 to 4:00 P. M.

N. & W. Ry. Norfolk & Western

Quickest and Best Line West and Northwest.

Block System, Rock Ballast 85-lb Rail.
Schedule in Effect May 1st, 1909.

Lv Norfolk	7:30 a m	7:30 p m
Lv. Petersburg	10:25 a m	10:20 p m
Lv. Durham	7:00 a m	5:20 p m
Lv. Lynchburg	2:30 p m	2:13 a m
Ar. Cincinnati	7:30 a m	7:20 p m
Ar. Columbus	6:45 a m	7:45 p m
Ar. Chicago	5:00 p m	7:30 a m
Ar. St. Louis	7:28 p m	8:30 a m

Close connections made for Seattle, San Francisco and all Western points.

Pullman sleeping and parlor cars N. and W. Cafe dining cars. Equipment and service standard of excellence. Blue Ridge and Allegheny mountains crossed at most picturesque parts.

Time tables, descriptive literature and nformation free. Correspondence invited

W. B. BEVILL,
Gen. Pass. Agent, Roanoke, Va.
C. H. BOSLEY,
Dist. Pass. Agent, Richmond, Va.

MORTGAGE SALE.

By virtue of the powers of sale contained in certain mortgage deeds made by Julius Cowan and wife Julia Cowan to The North Carolina Home Building Association, one bearing date the 6th of February, 1909, and duly registered on the records of New Hanover County in Book 58, page 62, and the the other bearing date the 19th of March 1909, and duly recorded in Book 58, page 221, the undersigned will sell, to the highest bidder, at public auction, for cash at the Court House door of New Hanover County in the City of Wilmington, N. C., at twelve oclock M., on Friday the 11th day of March, 1910, the following described property in said City of Wilmington, N. C., to-wit:—Beginning at a point in the western line of Rankin street 66 feet west of the western line of Bay street; runs thence westwardly with said northern line of Rankin street 45 feet; thence northwardly parallel with Bay street 66 feet; thence eastwardly parallel with Rankin street 45 feet; thence southwardly parallel with Bay street 66 feet to the Beginning, being part of easter half of Lot 5, Block 242.

This 8th of February, 1910.

THE NORTH CAROLINA HOME BUILDING ASSOCIATION.
By John D. Bellamy & Son.,
fe 9 30d. Attorneys.

MORTGAGE SALE.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed made by C. L. Dickinson and wife Lilly W. Dickinson to Samuel Blossom, bearing date the 15th of June, 1909, and duly registered on the records of New Hanover County in Book 58 page 446, the undersigned will sell to the highest bidder, at public auction, for cash, at the Court House door of New Hanover county in Wilmington, N. C., at twelve o'clock M., on Thursday the 10th day of March, 1910, the following described property in said City of Wilmington, N. C., to-wit: Beginning at a point in the Southern line of Ann street 100 feet east of the eastern line of Fifth street; runs thence eastwardly with the southern line of Ann street 35 feet and 3 inches; thence southwardly parallel with Fifth street 66 feet; thence westwardly parallel with Ann street 35 feet and 3 inches; thence northwardly parallel with Fifth street 66 feet to the beginning, being part of Lot 1, Block 117.

This 7th day of February, 1910.

SAMUEL BLOSSOM,
By John D. Bellamy & Son.
fe 8 30d. Attorneys.

TRUSTEES' NOTICE.

Having duly qualified as Trustees of the Estate of George C. McDougal, late of Rosindale, N. C., this is to notify all creditors to present their accounts to the undersigned, duly verified, on or before the first day of April, 1910, or this notice will be plead to bar recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate, will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

JAMES SPRUNT,
GEORGE C. McDOUGAL,
Trustees.

This 9th day of February 1910.
fe 10 1 aw 4 w thu

No Less Than 3 Gallons Shipped

PURE STRAIGHT WHISKEY BIG OFFER

RETURN THIS ADVERTISEMENT
(with your order)

To show new customers what we can send in exchange for their hard earned dollars, we are willing to lose $10,000.00 by cutting the price on our Pure Straight Whiskey and name the following un-heard-of figures:

3 full gallons $3.75
6 full gallons 4.95
12 full quarts 4.50
24 full pints 4.75
we ship by express

This is regular old-time whiskey and distilled right here in Florida by honest North Carolina people. We give you overflowing measure and when the whiskey is received and tested if you don't agree it's worth $2.50 per gallon, keep 2 quarts free, return balance and we will send back your money because it belongs to you.

Southern Dist. Co., Jacksonville, Fla.

PURE WHISKEY 125 GALLON

CHANGE OF PROGRAMME DAILY.

BIJOU

NEVER OUT! NEVER OVER!

5 Cents.

Atlantic Coast Line

CORRECT TO JANUARY 30th.

NOTICE.

The arrivals and departure are given as information, as well as connections with other companies, but arrivals and connections are not guaranteed.

NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48. Daily.	No. 42. Daily
Lv. Wilmington	8:30 am	7:00 pm
Ar. Goldsboro	11:37 pm	10:05 pm
Ar. Wilson	12:36 pm	11:01 pm
Ar. Rocky Mount	1:18 pm	11:45 pm
Ar. Weldon	1:55 pm	12:09 am
Ar. Norfolk	6:10 pm	6:15 am
Ar. Petersburg	7:05 pm	6:55 am
Ar. Richmond	8:00 pm	7:40 am
Ar. Washington	11:50 pm	8:00 am
Ar. Baltimore	1:20 am	9:16 am
Ar. W. Philadelphia	3:40 am	11:35 pm
Ar. New York	6:30 am	2:00 pm

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41. Daily.	No. 49. Daily.
Lv. New York	3:25 pm	9:25 pm
Lv. W. Philadelphia	5:44 pm	12:19 am
Lv. Baltimore	8:20 pm	2:46 am
Lv. Washington	10:00 pm	4:20 am
Lv. Norfolk	3:00 pm	8:10 am
Lv. Petersburg	1:56 am	9:18 am
Lv Weldon	3:48 am	11:30 am
Lv. Rocky Mount	5:05 am	12:40 pm
Lv. Wilson	5:49 am	1:32 pm
Ar. Goldsboro	6:40 am	2:20 pm
Ar. Wilmington	9:45 am	6:15 pm

WEST AND SOUTH.

	51.	53	via Wilson. 42
Lv Wilmington	5:30 am	3:15 pm	7:00 pm
Ar. Florence	9:25 am	7:25 pm	4:01 am
Ar. Columbia	1:00 pm	11:10 pm	
Ar. Augusta	3:00 pm		
Ar. Atlanta	8:20 pm		
Ar. Nashville	6:30 am		
Ar. Memphis	5:30 pm		
Ar. Louisville	1:10 pm		
Ar. Con'ti	4:35 pm		
Ar. Charleston	1:15 pm	11:20 pm	7:05 am
Ar Savannah	3:55 pm	2:20 am	9:30 am
Ar. Jacksonville	7:15 am	7:15 am	1:30 pm
Ar. Tampa	7:00 am	7:00 pm	10:25 pm

Pullman service Florence to Atlanta and Atlanta to destination.

NORTHBOUND.

	50 Daily.	54 Daily.
Lv. Tampa	9:00 pm	10:20 am
Lv. Jacksonville	7:30 am	7:45 pm
Lv. Savannah	11:55 am	12:15 am
Lv. Charleston	4:25 pm	5:10 am
Lv. Columbia	4:10 pm	6:00 am
Lv. Augusta	2:45 pm	
Lv. Florence	8:05 pm	9:25 am
Ar. Wilmington	11:50 pm	1:40 pm

WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

Westbound. 53 Daily.		Eastbound. 52 Daily.
8:40 AM	Lv. Wilmington Ar.	8:05 PM
11:45 AM	Ar. Fayetteville Lv.	4:50 PM
12:10 PM	Lv. Fayetteville Ar.	4:45 PM
1:40 PM	Ar. Sanford Lv.	3:80 PM

WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

Northbound. 62	Daily except Sunday.	Southbound. 63
3:25 PM	Lv. Wilmington Ar.	12:30 PM
5:17 PM	A. Jacksonville Lv.	10:55 AM
6:44 PM	Ar. N. & S. Jct. Lv.	9:35 AM
6:50 PM	Ar. Newbern Lv.	9:20 AM

*VIA PETERSBURG AND N. & W. RY.
**Daily Except Sunday.

Trains No. 42 and 41 carry Pullman Sleeping cars with broiler service, between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with Pennsylvania R. R., for all points East.

Trains 48 and 49 carry Pullman Parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.

Trains No. 55 and 50 carry Pullman Sleeping cars between Wilmington and Columbia.

T. C. WHITE,
General Passenger Agent.
W. J. CRAIG,
Passenger Traffic Manager.

SEABOARD Air/Line Railway SCHEDULE

Apply at Union Depot Ticket Office or S. A. L. Railway Freight Office Telephones No. 1294 or No. 8.

Trains Leave Wilmington Effective Feb. 6, 1910.

No. 45—4:30 A. M.—For. Hamlet, and Charlotte, connects at Hamlet with No. 64 for Raleigh and points North.

No. 39—3:45 P. M.—For Hamlet, connecting with through trains for Atlanta, Charlotte, Birmingham, Jacksonville, Norfolk, New York and trains in all directions. Arrive Hamlet 7:35 P. M.; leave Hamlet 8:05 P. M., arriving Charlotte 10:45 P. M.

Trains Arrive at Wilmington

No. 40—1:15 P. M.—From Hamlet.

No. 44—12:20 A. M.—From Charlotte and Hamlet.

No. 45 connects at Hamlet with No. 41 for Atlanta, Birmingham, Memphis and Charlotte, with No. 84 and No. 92 for Washington and New York and Portsmouth, Norfolk and No. 43 for Columbia, Savannah and Jacksonville.

Parlor Car Service will be maintained between Wilmington and Hamlet on No. 39 leaving Wilmington at 4 P. M., and No. 40 arriving at Wilmington at 1:15 P. M.

B. W. ARRINGTON,
Union Ticket Agent.
Phone No. 1294.
F. A. FETTER, Agent.
Phone No. 8.

H. S. LEARD,
Div. Passenger Agent,
Raleigh, N. C.

C. B. BRYAN,
General Passenger Agent,
Portsmouth, Va.

Clyde Steamship Company to NEW YORK and GEORGETOWN, S. C.

NEW YORK TO WILMINGTON.
S. S. "Carib".....Friday, Feb. 18, 1910
S. S. "Sabine".....Friday, Feb. 25, 1910

WILMINGTON TO NEW YORK.
S. S. "Sabine".....Saturday, Feb. 19, 1910
S. S. "Carib".....Saturday, Feb. 26, 1910

WILMINGTON TO GEORGETOWN.
S. S. "Sabine".....Monday, Feb. 14, 1910
S. S. "Carib".....Monday Feb. 21, 1910

Through bills of lading and lowest hrough rates guaranteed to and from all points in North and South Carolina.

For freight passage apply to
H. G. SMALLBONES, Supt.
Wilmington, N. C.

H. E. MAYNARD,
Freight Traffic Manager.
H. H. RAYMOND, V. P. & G. M.

HUGH MacRAE & CO.
BANKERS.

Miscellaneous Southern Securities
Cotton Mill Stocks

WILMINGTON, N. C.
New York City, 140 Broadway.

THE MORNING STAR

Published by the
WILMINGTON STAR COMPANY (Inc.)
Wilmington, N. C.

Entered as second-class matter at the postoffice at Wilmington, N. C., under act of Congress, March 2nd 1874.

FULL ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORT.

PUBLISHERS' ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE MORNING STAR, the oldest daily newspaper in North Carolina, is published daily except Monday, at $6 per year, $3 for six months, $1.50 for three months, 50 cents for one month, served by carrier in the city or by mail.

THE SUNDAY STAR, by mail, one year, $1; six months, 50 cents; three months, 25 cents.

ADVERTISING RATES may be had on application and advertisers may feel assured that through the columns of this paper they may reach all Wilmington, Eastern Carolina and contiguous territory in South Carolina.

Obituary sketches, cards of thanks, communications espousing the cause of a private enterprise or a political candidate, and like matter, will be charged at the rate of 10 cents per line, or if paid cash in advance, a half rate will be allowed. Announcements of fairs, festivals, balls, hops, picnics, society meetings, political meetings, etc., will be charged under same conditions except so much thereof as may be of news value to readers of the paper.

Advertisements discontinued before expiration of contracts are charged transient rates for times actually published. Payment for transient advertisements must be cash in advance. Contract advertisers will not be allowed to exceed their space at same rates or advertise anything foreign to their regular business without extra charge. Advertisements to occupy special place will be charged for according to position desired.

TELEPHONES: Business Office No. 51; Editorial and Local rooms No. 61. Call either if the other doesn't answer.

COMMUNICATIONS, unless they contain important news, or discuss briefly and properly subjects of real interest, are not wanted; and if acceptable in every other way, they will be invariably rejected unless the real name of the author accompanies the same, not necessarily for publication but as a guarantee of good faith.

Friday, February 18th, 1910.

NOT A MATTER OF ARGUMENT.

The suffrage question is one of many facets. Turn it which way you will, it reflects the basic injustice done to women of the present day by a suffrage confined to the male sex. One of the easiest arguments has been that of the man who has so much regard for the susceptibilities of women that he will not favor anything tending to put them in juxtaposition to the rowdy crowds infesting polling places. Yet listen to this, from a communication printed in the New Yorw Tribune:

"As I came struggling out of a subway rush hour crowd last evening a woman in front of me thus freed her mind when she had freed her body: 'Well,' she said, catching her breath for a good start, 'the men oppose woman's voting because, they say, it will have such a coarsening effect upon her to be brought into the necessary contact with all kinds of men at the polling places, and the effect will be to destroy that refinement which makes women so superior and so attractive to men. That's what they say, but I never heard one say women shouldn't ride in the street cars, on the ground, over the ground or under. And just see what that rush hour crowd is. Why, if anything like that should be attempted at the polls they'd call out the police reserves and the militia, and even the regular army, to stop it. I've been crowded in with a rush hour mob for six years, every day in the year except Sundays and holidays, and if I thought women would be subject to such necessary contact with men at the polls I would devote all my spare time and cash to prevent women from voting. As it is, I am glad to say that I shall do all I can, as I have been doing for six years, to give them the right of suffrage.'"

And there you are. The American citizen will let women work with men, jostle with them, push for what they get and stand aside if they cannot push hard enough to get leeway through the stress. He will bury his nose in a paper in careful oblivion of the woman at his side who is hanging to a strap. But, when it comes to voting—the pig is a cavalier in a breath!

Notwithstanding which, as we pointed out, at the time when Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont started her political equality club, it won't do. Not that the idea is not just; not that women are not entitled to the ballot; not that there is any valid reason for withholding the ballot from them. There is a simple something in the breast of man which is akin to that vaunted intuition in women, which tells him positively, beyond argument, and in the interest of his and the women's future peace, that it cannot be. In the days when a teacher was so far in loco parentis as to justify the use of the birch, a familiar feature of every school was the boy lawyer. He was always right, and the teacher, after inquiry, would gravely admit it. Then, with a calm and smiling face, to the outrage of guilt absolutely not proven, would he collar the culprit just acquitted and enter upon execution of sentence as though there had never been a trial. Conversely, until the individual woman can quit loving her man long enough to force him to a choice of evils, the suffrage movement is doomed to failure—unreasoned, but certain, as are fate and other things.

Of course, no member of the Cotton Exchange ever gambles. They deduce conditions and then forecast them. It is strange, however, how a two cent turn in the market will on occasion "wipe out" the most conservative brokers on commission.

For a paper always delighted to give prominence to baby shows, the News and Observer seems to take too much to heart the attempted appearance of the "warm babies" in the Girl from Rector's troupe.

"DECENCY" TAKES A "DAY OFF."

We trust that Raleigh is by this time ashamed of itself. Its action on Wednesday night was not only puerile, but bucolic. False alarms of fire; two thousand people jammed in front of a theatre; some dozen or more badly rattled policemen ;a crowd of show girls; a theatrical manager under arrest; the city officials on guard, bedlam broke loose—all these things make a picture with a Western flavor, and a long ago flavor at that. In some such manner, in a place without police protection, a howling mob might break loose and make night hideous with cow bells, oaths, whoops, and screamings. Surely it was time for house-keeping folk to close their shutters, pull down the curtains, and cower in the chimney corner. In the Capital of the State the spectacle was one to bring disgust to the State which the city represents.

And what was it all about? A "fast" show from Broadway—a show that had been "toned down", from which the flounces had been cut, on which long dresses had been put; a show that was in the beginning a feeble imitation of the standard French farce, and in the end had been pruned to fit the susceptibilities of just such provincial centers as Raleigh. Doubtless the sophisticated show-girls trembled in their boots, and who is to blame them, poor little things from Broadway, unused as they are to country ways, their light little heads turned with stories of lynchings ,and their tired little toes totally unused to kicking up such a stir. In all the muck of the mob—the hoots, the hoarse cries—think for a moment of the agony that must have been endured by this palpable little chorus, trying to turn its shape into the means of an honest if not intellectual livelihood!

And, its own home in the very center of the rioting district, through which the fire-wagons now and again went pell-mell to the danger of life and limb, the News and Observer exclaims: "Decency dominates in Raleigh!" "The law is supreme in the Capital of North Carolina!"

Law is such a curious thing that, while the News and Observer may feel competent to express an opinion on such a state of affairs, we do not.

In fact, we have very serious doubts as to whether the action of a Mayor in forbidding a play which he knows nothing about except through hearsay is legal. We still further doubt his authority to order his police to capture by force and hold a theatre, shutting out therefrom the company engaged to play there and the manager of the house. We suspect the power of the police to force a way into a private building, arrest the person charged with its care for his refusal to surrender his keys, and there make a citadel for the police department in which to hold the fort against "Tootsie Foot-lights", while anarchy reigns outside! These things have not exactly an orderly and legal look, the opinion of the News and Observer to the contrary.

However, it may all be law. We do not know, and we cannot be certain until the courts shall have had opportunity to pass on the matter. It appears to us to be no less than a forcible trespass. As to the matter of the law being supreme in the Capital of North Carolina, we are uncertain. One thing, however, is self-evident to the most casual observer:

"Decency" was not on duty Wednesday night.

NO "TIE" POSSIBLE IN APPEAL.

We make note that a number of exchanges are carrying long articles expressive of concern lest the Supreme Court of the United States shall make an "even split" in the matter of the important trust cases now pending before it. It is mentioned that a number of fundamentally decisive opinions have of recent years been decided by a majority of one, wherefrom it is argued that the illness of Justice Moody, who was unable to sit at the hearing of the American Tobacco Company case, may result in a "tie." And from this the impression seems to be gained that the entire trust litigations may have to be gone over with from the start, remaining in an unsettled condition.

We take it, however, that the practice in the Supreme Court of the United States is as that of the State Supreme Court in this respect. When a "tie" occurs among the judges in an appellate court, the decision is swayed by the finding of the court below. The trial judge thus becomes, in a sense, an appellate factor. His opinion weighs the scale . In other words, while there may be a technical "tie" in opinion among appellate judges, there is never a practical failure to arrive at a decision. Though the court evenly divide, instead of a new trial, or a re-argument, the decision is with that half of the appellate court holding with the inferior court.

So that, should the Supreme Court divide upon the questions presented by the Tobacco Trust case, the trust would lose, the lower court having found against it. A "tie" among Supreme Court judges means that the decision is with the appellee. Chief Justice Clark not sitting, the famous "Gattis-Kilgo" case went finally out of court on just such a result.

NEGOTIABILITY OF COTTON.

We are not at all sure that the farmers of the country are wise in pressing for a Federal law which shall serve to curtail the operations of the cotton exchange. It is claimed that manipulation of future contracts tends to depress the price to the farmer; it may be contended with equal force that such manipulation tends to increase it. It is to be proven, however, that pure manipulation is powerful to have lasting effect either way. The ultimate price is made by the crop conditions and the supply and demand. So long as the farmer is not himself in the future market, he has, it would seem, all to gain and nothing to lose by the presence of the exchange.

The essential value of the cotton exchange, as is the case with the New York Stock Exchange, is to produce negotiability. Negotiability adds to value. A stock that can be instantly turned into money is manifestly marketable at a price nearer its true value than one which can only be sold by extended negotiation. The exchanges make a market, which is available not only to the dealer in futures, but to the producers of the staple, the holders everywhere of stocks. A man in Wilmington who owns a $2,000 house, will have no trouble in selling it at a fair price; the man who has a $75,000 house would have difficulty in realizing on his investment. And in a real estate equation, the assessment for taxes is a guide to purchasers and a benefit to sellers. So with cotton, or any other commodity. The exchange sets the price for the day. The purchaser can take at the price, or, having bought, he can protect himself against fluctuation. The seller can know instantly what his product will bring. It has a recognized present value, a stability in money that it would not otherwise have. If it were not for the exchange, the cost, worry and delay in the handling of the cotton crop alone would be so infinitely increased as to lower its final value. On the whole, the fact that the exchange makes every bale of cotton instantly negotiable must be seen to add millions to the price. And this ,of course, in addition to the comparatively rare occasions when the mistakes of speculators for a time give a fictitious value to the crop.

In the present inquiry much stress is laid upon certain arbitrary methods of grading for future delivery, a matter in which we are not expert enough to give an opinion. It is doubtless this fact which has caused a reversal of the old rule that "futures" were higher than "spots". Futures, representing hope, ought naturally to be higher; but that the cotton crop is not to be seriously injured by exchange speculation has been clearly shown by the fact that of recent years the future market and the spot market, progressing in some sort together, have shown the higher price for the real and the lower for the speculative commodity.

OCCUPANT UNINJURED BY DELAY.

The News and Observer prints what is called an "open letter" from one J. B. Stokes, of Windsor, protesting to Governor Kitchin that he should commute the sentence of the convicted rapist Morrison, by reason of the delays occasioned by the failure of the penitentiary authorities to provide the death chair for his execution. The letter reads:

"My Dear Sir:—In the name of humanity, civilization and good government, I call upon you to commute the death sentence of the negro rapist (Morrison, I believe is his name) to life imprisonment. He is now confined in the State prison awaiting death for the fourth time. Poor wretch. He has suffered more than death four times, all because the great State of North Carolina failed to be in readiness to perform its duty in the first instance. I believe, sir, that this would be the noblest act that you will ever be called upon to perform. I believe, also, that all creeds, colors, races and political parties in North Carolina would commend you."

So much of the letter as is in criticism of the delay in equipping the "death chair" finds ready echo from the State at large. The other and psychological matter suggested is not so clear. Of death it is probably true that the natural shrinking and anticipation are more to be feared than the actual pangs of dissolution. We do not see, however, that to a sensitive soul life imprisonment is any the less cruel—more so in fact. To a man of fine sensibilities, the repeated delays might have been in the nature of a torment in the face of an entire want of hope. Morrison's crime, however, is such as to preclude the idea that he has any sensibilities beyond those attending the peculiarly physical functions. Doubtless he fears to die, but with equal certainty to a constitution such as his a delay is merely so much gained. In the matter of negro criminals, who gain a peculiar exaltation and comfort out of execution, the death penalty, it is true, is open to doubt as to its efficacy as a deterrent. Electrocution may, on account of its strangeness, be better than hanging, which had reached the point where to victims of Morrison's class it took rank as a sort of distinction pertaining to a quasi-official social function. As a rule the executed negro has died both proud and happy on the scaffold. He may not be so clear of his importance when he is done to death in a silent room, away from the plaudits of his friends. That remains to be seen. At any rate, because he has been disappointed in receiving his fate on the date set, is no reason to suppose that the sufferings of Walter Morrison have been enhanced by reason of that fact.

THE "JUVEMBER."

Here is one that ought to start something, if only the Fayetteville Observer will refrain from giving an immediate explanation. In a recent issue of the Observer is published a letter from a lady deprecating the slaughter of song birds, in which she says:

"The shooting of firearms is prohibited within the city limits, yet boys and young men, armed with guns, rifles and juvembers shoot openly in the shade trees on our streets and also in the private grounds of citizens."

The city of Fayetteville is doubtless competent to deal with the slaughter of the birds, now that the matter has been called to the attention of the authorities—but, what is a "juvember?" Is it a kind of shot gun, is it a club, a fowling piece, a spear, or a bow and arrow? It has a portly sound, of a lethal weapon. Is't a boomerang with which to kill the innocent birdlet only to have it come sailing backwards to its owner? Or is it a kind of bait, with which to entrap the unwary sparrow, the trilling mockingbird, the unsuspecting jay? Is it salt for the robin's tail, or what? Is it carried at the trail, in the hip pocket, or at a right shoulder shift?

It so happens that we share with the Fayetteville Observer and its correspondent a knowledge of what a juvember is. Perhaps many Wilmingtonians are also wise to the identity of this unique aid to the slaughter of song birds. We doubt, however, that even the Norfolk Landmark can furnish light on the word's etymology and history. We doubt that it even knows what it is. For the first successful guess from an outlander we offer as a prize—a juvember.

We recently heaved a sigh, as it were, in the direction of John Temple Graves and the misuse of his rhetoric in the interest of his employment. Such a thing has a look of bad taste, but considering that Graves has never been much more than an orator and that he now orates for Hearst's American, there does not seem to be so much of seriousness in the situation after all. Comes now the Asheville Citizen with an editorial headliner, who exclaims, "Benedict Arnold Graves Says That South is Narrow; Lure of Hearst's Gold Has Changed the Former Citizen of Dixie", et cetera, et cetera. Really, it is hard to tell which is worse, the speech or the headline.

"At the present time my hobby is Antarctic exploration," said Commander Peary at a Washington banquet recently. Does not the Commander know by this time that there is such a thing as riding a good horse to death?

Criticism of Mr. Taft's impatience with Congress should be withheld. It is not possible for a new President to admit in his own case what every citizen recognizes as inevitable. Congress cannot be hurried by anything less than hot weather.

If a little thing like the Girl from Rector's is sufficient to create a riot in Raleigh, what would happen to the city if, at the eleventh hour, some belated dame should come along with the Salome dance?

Greensboro is in the throes of an investigation charging that one of its Aldermen has been dealing in slag. (To the linotypist: kindly do not print "slag" "swag"; it's s-l-a-g!)

There is an element in this country which would not so much mind a flood, if the result could be as in France, a loan of money by the government without interest.

Mr. Glavis' statement that he does not charge any corruption in office will come as a shock to the country. We had thought that that was exactly what he did charge.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Congress did nothing of consequence in December. It did nothing in January. It has done nothing so far in February. The routine business is far behind hand. Members of the body are said to fear hot-weather sessions, yet they fiddle and fume and fuss through the cool months, and eventually find themselves "knee-deep" in July with a mass of business on their hands.—Savannah News.

The police were again busy all day yesterday hunting up the delinquent payers of dog taxes and serving warrants on them. Quite a number were arrested and summoned to the city hall yesterday afternoon and given a hearing on charge of failing to comply with the law in regard to the taxes. Those found guilty were taxed with the cost of trial. There are about 100 warrants still unserved.—Newbern Journal.

Publicity is the salt of modern society, it forestalls fraud, wrong and other wickedness. The certainty that publicity will follow deters as many people who are liable to meditate dubious acts as courts, juries and judges. Of nothing is this more true than of divorce. If it is to the interest of society that divorce be diminished—as all believe—nothing will do more for this than publicity. Divorce is today frequent for two reasons, among others: It can be secured by going from one jurisdiction to another, and the suit can be tried practically in secret.—High Point Enterprise.

Reporters, in telling of the Lincoln day banquet the other night in New York, which was attended by President Taft, and was the occasion for a notable gathering of Republicans, mentioned the circumstances that the demonstration which followed mention of the name of Mr. Roosevelt was only exceeded by that which followed when the President rose to speak. When it is remembered that Mr. Roosevelt was away off in the dim recesses of an African jungle, and that the President was right there, and that it was encumbent upon the hosts to demonstrate, the incident will not be found wholly lacking in significance. Certainly it was an incident that will not escape the notice of the Back from Elba folk.—Charlotte Observer.

It is only a question of time, and probably a short time, when men will be attempting to fly across the ocean and when they will do it. Yesterday's dispatches told of a party that would try to come to America from Spain, from Teneriffe, by way of Porto Rica and Cuba to the mainland, striking first Florida and then going North up the coast line. That would put Savannah in the line of the flights, and of course, Savannah will hang out flags in welcome to the daring aviators. Count Zeppelin has already made trips of several hundred miles in his dirigible; and when a dirigible is able to go several hundred miles under perfect control, the going of several thousand miles is merely a matter of fuel and reliability of engine power. There are persons now living who will eventually see flights across the ocean regarded as commonplace occurrences.—Savannah News.

The ladies of Richmond who have formed a propaganda for women suffrage continue to agitate the subject. Has it occurred to these ladies that the success of the movement which they are advocating might result in enfranchising a large percentage of the negro women of the State? No law could be drawn which would establish one standard of franchise for the whites and another for the blacks or enlarge the distinction of the existing suffrage law. Among the negroes the proportion of educated women is largely in excess of that of educated men, while the thrift of the former would enable a much larger percentage of them to qualify under the prepayment of poll tax requirement. It is not a far-fetched statement that, should the proposed amendment be carried, there would soon be as many negro women voting in Virginia as whites. The result would be to add another race problem to those already existing.—Virgirian Pilot.

Took All His Money.

Often all a man earns goes to doctors or for medicines, to cure a stomach, liver or kidney trouble that Dr. King's New Life Pills would quickly cure at slight cost. Best for dyspepsia, indigestion, biliousness, constipation, jaundice, malaria and debility. 25c at Robt. R. Bellamy.

White Sale!

The Awaited and Welcome Annual Period to Most Economically Purchase White Goods of All Kinds.

Sale begins Monday on our greatest achievement in white goods selling. In quantity and variety of stocks involved, in superiority of quality of goods assembled and in actual lowness of prices quoted, this event attains high water mark in white goods value giving. Here is presented a surpassing selection of new white fabrics for garment making and household use, together with our cloud banks of new under garments that will win the admiration of all who admire daintiness, beauty and worth.

It is a Veritable Fair of Peerless White Beauty—A White Sale of Which We May Well Be Proud.

See large circular for items and prices and visit this store for bargains.

Sale Begins Monday, Feb. 7th.

J. H. Rehder & Co.
THE POPULAR DEPARTMENT STORE

Be Sure and Bring Your Punch Card.

THE FIRM THAT PAYS YOUR CAR FARE.

DAVID'S

Let us make you your Spring Suit now; will give it to you Easter, March 27th. An immense variety of styles to select from, every one guaranteed all wool.

THE A. DAVID CO.

Clothiers, Tailors and Furnishers.

Happy New Year!

I wish to thank my friends and customers for their liberal patronage during the year just closed, and trust our business relations in future will continue to be pleasant and profitable to each of us.

J. W. BROOKS

Wholesale Grocer. — Wilmington, N. C.

R&G CORSETS

Model A67 is a new one.

WHY DO YOU DRIFT?

Strike out and swim. Make yourself independent. The first essential is a bank account.

We allow 4% Interest.

Atlantic Trust & Banking Co.

Matt J. Heyer, President, Milton Calder, Cashier.
Southern Building. Opposite Postoffice.

fe 11 tf

Now Is the Time to Advertise in The Morning Star

SEVERE COLD WAVE COMING

Freezing Weather Predicted in Wake of Storm Which Prevailed Last Night—Wind Reached Velocity of 36 Miles.

In the wake of a severe southwest storm which passed over the city last night between 9 and 10 o'clock, accompanied by lightning and a wind which attained a velocity of 36 miles per hour, the Weather Bureau predicts a cold wave which will carry the thermometer down in the twenties and will likely within the next 36 hours cause one of the severest freezes of the Winter. A warning to this effect was received by Observer Felger of the local Bureau last night at 10 o'clock.

The southwest storm for which signals were displayed at 4:50 P. M. yesterday developed with much intensity last night, the warnings having been ordered up from Jacksonville to Baltimore. Last night Observer Felger said that the storm was going to the northestward and that Wilmington had perhaps experienced the worst of it. The wind came from the southwest and was quite severe while it lasted, causing some wire trouble but doing no other damage as far as could be learned last night. At sea, however, it is likely the weather was very rough during the night and some disasters to shipping may later come to light. The cutter Seminole is off the coast, however, and will be able to answer any signals of distress that may be displayed.

The warning received last night from Washington is as follows: "Cold wave signals ordered for Wilmington Temperatures will fall 30 to 40 degrees or more in next 36 hours." Observer Felger says this means that the readings may be expected down in the twenties with severe, freezing cold weather for a day or two. There was a rapid fall of the mercury with the passing of the storm last night and the weather this morning is in striking contrast with that of yesterday when a period of April showers was enjoyed in Wilmington.

DELEGATION FROM WAYCROSS.

Mayor and Delegation of Citizens Here for Conference.

Arriving on the train from Fayetteville last night, having missed train connection in Florence yesterday morning, was a delegation of prominent citizens from Waycross, Ga., who are here for a conference today with Vice President John R. Kenly, of the Atlantic Coast Line, with reference to certain adjustments in connection with the handsome new depot which the road will build in that thriving South Georgia metropolis. The delegation includes Mayor J. M. Cox, president of the Board of Trade; Councilman C. M. Sweat; Councilman and Mayor Pro Tempore James Sinclair, formerly of this city; City Attorney L. A. Wilson, and Division Counsel Jos. W. Bennett, of the Coast Line at Brunswick, Ga. The party spent some time in Fayetteville between trains yesterday, investigating municpal improvements and will combine their special engagement with Mr. Kenly with a little investigation along the same line here before returning. All the members of the delegation here are young, progressive business men, who are making Waycross "hum," and their visit is a source of pleasure to Wilmington. Chaperoned by Mayor Pro Tempore and Envoy Extraordinary James Sinclair, who numbers his Wilmington friends by census reports, the delegation will today make a visit to some of the trucking lands around Wilmington and will also take occasion to inspect some of the good roads which New Hanover is building.

YOUNG MAN TERRIBLY INJURED

Car Checker on Coast Line Yards Suffered Loss of An Arm.

Young Mr. Robert Everett, aged about 18 years, employed as a car checker on the yards of the Atlantic Coast Line in this city, was terribly injured early yesterday afternoon as the result of a fall from a string of moving box cars, just east of Fifth street bridge. As the result of his injuries, he suffered an amputation of the left arm at the hospital and has other injuries about the head and body that are quite severe indeed From all that can be learned the young man was walking from one car to the other and in some way lost his balance, falling to the tracks below, his arm being severely lacerated either by being run over or dragged under the car. Soon after the accident, the hospital ambulance was summoned and he was hurried to the operating table where his arm was amputated by Drs. Pride J. Thomas, A. C. L. surgeon, and Dr. Lane, of the hospital staff. It was stated from the Hospital at 10 o'clock last night that the young man was resting very quietly though he will not be out of danger for some days.

RALLY AT CAROLINA BEACH.

Federal Point Citizens Anxious for Extension of Macadam Road.

There is increasing interest in the big good roads rally to be held Monday of next week at Kure's, on Carolina Beach, in the interest of having the macadam thoroughfare now being extended in that direction, continued on to the beach. It is pointed out that the other ownships have had the benefit of the improvement to their lines and it would be manifestly unfair to treat Federal Point otherwise than with a full share of its improvement. Much of Wilmington's produce also comes from that direction and the proposed government improvement at Fort Fisher will make this extension doubly desirable. Those who care to do so may go by private conveyance or may take the steamer Wilmington at 9:45. There will be an oyster roast and fish fry and address es by several leading men of the county. All citizens are cordially invited to attend.

LaGrippe pains that pervade the entire system, LaGrippe coughs that rack and strain, are quickly cured by Foley's Honey and Tar. Is mildly laxative, safe and certain in results. Robert R. Bellamy.

CAPT. M'NEILL TO FIREMEN

Popular President of State Association Explains Proposed Firemen's Insurance Co.—Guest of Howard Relief.

Always thrice welcome to Wilmington, his warm, genial, enthusiastic personality enshrined in the hearts of every Wilmington fireman, both active and volunteer, Capt. James D. McNeill, of Fayetteville, president of the State Firemen's Association, last night at the central fire station addressed members of the Wilmington Department upon the proposed Firemen's Fire Insurance Company, now in process of formation under the auspices of the State organization. Later Capt. McNeill, as the guest of Chief Schnibben, was entertained by the Howard Relief Company, at its handsome club rooms at Front and Orange streets, where he again explained the plan for the proposed enterprise to that old and honorable association of volunteer firemen.

At the central fire station at 8 o'clock there were gathered the foremen and a delegation of members from each of the companies with officers of the Department and Mr. W. A. French, of the Police and Fire Commission, whose interest in the work is never abated. Chief Schnibben presided at the meeting and in a few appropriate remarks presented the veteran fire chief of Fayetteville, who needed no introduction in Wilmington.

Capt. McNeill addressed the men of the local department as "my comrades" and was most enthusiastically received. Heretofore, he said, his visits to the firemen of Wilmington had been of a social and personal nature but he came on this occasion to present a business proposition—a cold blooded business proposition, for which he would not presume on his personal friendship for a hearing. Before going into an explanation fully of the proposed firemen's fire insurance company, he gave a high testimonial to the value of a fireman in the community. Patriotically and unselfishly the firemen of North Carolina had been going about safeguarding the property of others for a hundred years; in Wilmington, they were paid now for the service, but that was none the less a patriotic service which they performed and performed at a time when all else could not be sought to stay the loss of property and perhaps of life. The firemen made business prosperity possible for others. It had now come to a time when they might be pardoned for wanting to share in this prosperity themselves, especially where it did no violence to other interests which they were serving. He then explained the relation of the conflagration hazard to fire insurance and showed how the increasing efficiency of the fire fighting forces of the State had contributed to insurance profits. The departments had so materially decreased the fire hazard that State insurance companies have blossomed forth and have been eminently successful all over the State, sharing in the prosperity which the firemen have helped to make. Copies of the prospectus of the firemen's insurance company were distributed, showing the profits of eight leading North Carolina fire insurance companies from the last report filed at Raleigh. The deductions drawn were that the State fire insurance companies are paying most handsomely and that with the large number already organized, the amount of premiums paid each year to foreign companies, would indicate that the field is yet far from covered and the proposed company to be controlled by the firemen of the State would be no encroachment upon established home institutions. No good reason could be assigned why firemen, as stockholders in the proposed enterprise, should not participate in this insurance prosperity which they have so largely brought about by their increasing efficiency. Capt. McNeill then traced the history of the movement and investigation which had satisfied the committee that the formation of this company is not only highly proper but destined to prove of value to the firemen investors. He told of the plan of the proposed organization and explained why a self-interest would not be conducive to better service. He made no appeal to the firemen to sell the stock, but said that it was the purpose of the committee to first offer the stock to the firemen of the State and then to the outside investors. The shares had been placed in reach of all, so that the firemen could subscribe small or great as they desired and he left the matter entirely in their own hands.

Capt. McNeill has now visited all departments in the State except Tarboro, Kinston and Monroe and has met with flattering prospects at each point visited. The shares are by no means going begging, but Capt. McNeill explained that the first offering was to be to the firemen. It was entirely with them whether or not they would subscribe to what he commended as a good business proposition.

Capt. McNeill spoke for a little less than an hour and was heard with intense interest. Accompanied by Chief Schnibben and Mr. French, he was later entertained at the Howard Relief Club where he was met by a large number of members of that organization and an elegant lunch was served in honor of the distinguished fireman.

GOES TO RALEIGH BANK.

Mr. J. F. Smith Takes Position With the Merchants' National.

Many friends here of Mr. J. F. Smith will be interested to know that he left Tuesday night for Raleigh, where he has accepted the position of bookkeeper for the Merchants' National Bank, of that city. Mr. Smith has already entered upon his new duties. Last year Mr. Smith was a clerk in the Murchison National Bank, this city, but for the past few months he has been bookkeeper for Smith Bros. He is an experienced and capable bookkeeper and a popular young man. Mr. Lawrence E. Covington, of Charlotte, has recently accepted the position of auditor of the same bank and will enter upon his duties the 1st of March.

DISPOSED OF HIS INTEREST

Mr. James Arnett Purchases From Mr. A. M. Prince the Latter's Half Interest in Chain of Saw Mills in Bladen.

By a deal consummated in this city yesterday, Mr. James Arnett, formerly of Westbrook, but now of East Arcadia, purchased from Mr. A. M. Prince, of this city, all of the latter's interest in a chain of saw mills in Columbus and Bladen counties, heretofore owned jointly by Messrs. Prince and Arnett. Included in the deal is all Mr. Prince's interest in the saw mills, five in number, timber, stock of goods, live stock, etc. The consideration was $31,000.

Two of the saw mills are located in Columbus and three in Bladen county. Mr. Prince and Mr. Arnett have been doing a very extensive lumber business, shipping their produce to various parts of the country. The various mills will be conducted by Mr. Arnett who will give his entire time and attention to the business and he asks the same consideration and patronage from the public as was given the old firm.

The papers transferring the property were drawn up yesterday by Kellum & Loughlin, attorneys for Mr. Prince, and will be filed for record today in Columbus and Bladen counties.

It is understood that within the next few weeks Mr. Prince will engage in the wholesale lumber business with principal office in Wilmington. He will devote the next two or three weeks to needed rest and recreation, after which he will begin arrangements for his wholesale lumber business.

FROM CAPT. McNEILL.

Word of Commendation of Firemen From One Who Knows.

Mr. Editor:—Will you kindly give me space in your valued columns as a fire chief of 27 years' active experience to pay my tribute of commendation to the splendid judgment displayed and the results obtained by Chief Schnibben and his men at the Morris Bear & Bro's fire a few days ago? Nothing short of their perfect work and their up-to-date chemical equipment saved an enormous insurance loss and very much more than probably saved Wilmington from a most dangerous conflagration. Two or at the most five minutes more of the intense heat and smoke from the seat of the fire would have seen the entire building with all of its combustible contents a roaring furnace upon which tons of water would have had but little effect.

The smoke loss is quite considerable as it is but no fire department on earth could have prevented that. Had Chief Schnibben lost his head, as so many of our less experienced chiefs do, and turned fire streams of water in the building fore and aft, the damages under any circumstances would have been very heavy and had the Department been only a few minutes later in responding no man can even estimate the final result. The insurance people surely ought to be grateful to them for their splendid efficiency. Respectfully,

JAS. D. McNEILL.

REBUILD SEAMEN'S HOME.

Contract Let Yesterday for Handsome New Building on Dock Street.

According to plans and specifications prepared by Mr. B. H. Stephens, who will supervise the construction, the Seamen's Friend Society of this port, of which Gen. James I. Metts is president, on yesterday let the contract to Mr. R. H. Brady for the erection of a handsome new building on the side of the Seamen's Bethel, on Dock street, between the Schloss livery stables and the large three-story building, also owned by the Society, immediately on the corner. The building will be two stories in height with three-story effect, fronting 40 feet on Dock street. It will be of brick and will cost $5,000 approximately. The first floor will be rented for stores and the second floor will be used as a chapel for the Society. This will have a 25-foot pitch and will be especially designed as a place of assembly. The front will be of selected brick and cut stone trimmings and will be quite an addition to the street on which it will be located.

Work will be commenced at once, removing the old building on the site and the new structure will be completed at the earliest possible date.

FUNERAL OF MR. PARSLEY.

Sad Service From the Home of Brother Yesterday Morning.

The funeral of Mr. Henry Nutt Parsley, who passed away in Fayetteville Wednesday morning, was held from the residence of his brother, Mr. R. A. Parsley, 211 South Fourth street, at 11 o'clock yesterday morning in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and sympathizing friends. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Milton, rector of St. James' Episcopal Church. The high esteem in which the deceased was held in this community was attested in a measure by the many beautiful floral designs laid upon the newly made grave in Oakdale cemetery, where the body was interred. The pallbearers were: Honorary, Capt. J. Alves Walker; active, Messrs. W. N. Harriss, M. Crouly, W. G. Whitehead, C. C. Chadbourn, John D. Bellamy, Jr., and Geo. T. Johnson.

INVESTIGATING TITLES.

Head of Title Department Arrived Yesterday From Washington.

R. T. Strickland, Esq., of Washington, D. C., attorney in charge of titles for the United States government, arrived in Wilmington yesterday morning and will be here for several days investigating titles to the property on the wharf upon which it is proposed to erect the handsome new custom house. Mr. Strickland is accompanied by Mrs. Strickland and they are guests at The Orton. It was stated from the District Attorney's office yesterday afternoon that the condemnation proceedings would probably come up for final hearing at this term of court, which now looks as if it might extend into next week.

FOURTEENTH ANNIVERSARY

Boys' Brigade Senior Department Celebrates Beginning of New Year in Eventful and Useful Career of Institution.

The 14th anniversary of the founding of an institution which has had such a wholesome influence upon the lives of the boys of the community, was celebrated last night by the Seniors of the Boys' Brigade at the armory, corner of Second and Church streets, with a thoroughly enjoyable banquet. It was attended by 47 members of the department and was a delightfully informal affair.

The institution was founded on the 14th of February, 14 years ago last Monday night, by Col. Walker Taylor, who occupied the seat of honor at the banquet board last night. The organization perhaps surpasses that of any other of its kind in the great interest one member shows in the welfare of the other. Members are in close touch with one another and each and every one realizes fully that whatever affects one affects the other and for this reason they pull together admirably for everything that is for the upbuilding of the institution and for the good of the individuals. The watchful eye of the founder has ever been over the institution and it is safe to say that without him the organization would never have reached its present achievements. Every member has the profoundest respect for Col. Taylor and he has never made a request of them in these 14 years but that was promptly and willingly complied with. It is the respect and esteem the boys have for the head, the "constitution" as they call him, that has held the organization together.

But to the celebration last night. Shortly after 8 o'clock the boys began to gather in the reception room and at 8:30 o'clock a line of march was formed, the married men of the organization taking the lead, it being Col. Taylor's conviction that married men should come first in all things. The boys marched single file to the banquet hall on the second floor where a feast of good things awaited. After all had assembled around the table prayer was offered by Col. Taylor. The menu included stewed oysters, rice, turkey and cranberry sauce, celery, beaten biscuits, rolls, coffee, ice cream and cake and cigars. The supper was prepared by Mrs. Walker Taylor, Miss Sue Hall and Miss Fanny Taylor. It is customary for the wives of the married contingent to aid in the serving and those served last night were: Mrs. J. S. Brittain, Mrs. Jas. A. Price, Mrs. Clarence Davis and Mrs. Henry Orrell.

After the inner man had been entirely satisfied, Col. Taylor, master of ceremonies, who kept the diners in an uproar of laughter throughout the service of the banquet by his numerous bright and witty remarks, arose and asked how many desired to make short talks. He then called upon Mr. J. W. Orrell, a member of the Brigade and a former resident of the city, but now holding a position with the A. C. L. at Waycross, Ga., to tell something of his adopted city and what prompted him to come such a distance to attend the annual banquet. Mr. Orrell responded in a short, but interesting speech, telling vividly some of the claims to greatness of his adopted city. In response to the query as to why he came, he said that it was "to eat." He arrived last night via Fayetteville, having missed connections at Florence. Mr. Orrell was followed by other members of the organization, viz: Messrs. James Gilbert, student of Trinity College, who is at home for a few days; W. H. Bornemann, Glenn Pate, Clarence Davis, Frank King, J. F. Russ, James M. Hall, T. K. Curtis, J. A. Ferguson, a comparatively new member; Herndon Jewell, Willie Rourk, J. C. McAlister, who referred to the melancholy fact that some of the members of the organization, present at former occasions, were absent and C. C. Loughlin, Esq., captain of the Juniors.

Col. Taylor was then asked to address the boys and he responded in his usual pleasing manner. His was a heart to heart talk with the boys whom he loves with a tender devotion—his boys, if you please. He was listened to with the closest attention and his remarks had a visible effect upon the boys. In beginning Col. Taylor spoke briefly of the formation of the brigade on a bitter cold and otherwise disagreeable night 14 years ago, when a band of small boys, none over 12 or 13 years old, met for the purpose. He spoke of the plans made at the beginning of the year for internal development and stated that he had every reason to believe that this would be the most successful year in the history of the organization. He remarked in passing that the organization had one of the best debating societies to be found anywhere, a splendid gymnasium class and the best developed literary class in the history of the institution. Here he praised the ladies highly for having prepared and served such a creditable supper and remarked, by way of parenthesis, that full credit had been done to the supper. He was certain that the institution was beginning its 15th year on a more solid foundation than ever and with a set of boys as pure—morally, spiritually and intellectually—as one could find in any organization of 50 young men. Nowhere would be found a band of young men of higher character.

Col. Taylor said that the young men start a new year every morning when they rise from their beds for no man can see tomorrow. He told them that if they fell down yesterday not to wait for the beginning of a new year to get up, but to get on their feet when they rise the morning after the fall. He remarked on the large number of the members, 17 in all, who have married, in order to back up his statement of the high character of the young men. "No man," he said, "without character should go to a pure woman and ask her to become his wife, for the best man on earth is not good enough for a good woman." This eulogy of woman brought forth a round of applause from the banqueters.

The speaker also told of the energy, thrift and saving qualities of the young men of the institution. They have worked hard and saved their money with the result that they have accumulated more than $30,000 worth of property as the tax books show. "You start now," said the speaker, "the new year, in the sense of the institution," just as energetically and interestingly as you did ten years ago, do you not? Are you tired?" The earnest answers in the negative to the last query were unmistakable.

In speaking directly to the young men to live clean, pure lives, Col. Taylor referred to the responsibility that rested upon his shoulders. He said that the responsibility did not come of his own seeking, but it was there and he would not shirk it. The institution, he said, was so close to him that it really was a part of him. He told the young men that the 50 members of the organization were as links in a chain and that the organization would not, could not, be any stronger than the weakest member, therefore he urged each one to put forth every effort to make the chain the stronger.

When Col. Taylor concluded the happy affair came to a close and the young men departed for their respective homes declaring the banquet to have been the most enjoyable ever attended at the armory.

Those present were: Col. Walker Taylor, C. C. Loughlin, Esq., B. F. King, Jr., Harry Keen, T. K. Curtis, J. W. Orrell, Frank Brittain, Albert Beach, Tom Walker, Claude Hill, J. J. Loughlin, James M. Hall, A. L. Motte, J. A. Price, J. S. Brittain, R. H. Orrell, J. F. Russ, J. C. McAllister, E. McD. Reynolds, S. F. Garrison, H. O. Thomas, W. R. Dosher, A. L. Dosher, Clarence Davis, E. C. Dixon, Harry Lee Dixon, Kelly Smith, Daniel Gibson Register, B. C. Boney, H. Gerdes, John Burriss, R. M. Kermon, W. W. King, Jr., W. C. Rourk, R. R. Alderman, C. C. Davis, J. V. Fergus, J. W. Boney, Glenn Pate, W. L. Jewell, James Gilbert, Ernest J. Erving, Herndon Jewell, Albert Elmere, W. H. Bornemann, Leonard Gore, and J. A. Ferguson.

MAN KILLED BY TRAIN.

Struck by Passenger Train No. 50 From South Yesterday Morning.

A white man whose name was not learned, was struck by train No. 50 from Columbia to Wilmington, near Fair Bluff, N. C., late Wednesday night and was instantly killed. The tragedy was not discovered until yesterday morning, when the mangled form was found on the track and headquarters in this city was notified. An examination of the engine which had brought in the train yesterday morning was made and fragments of the man's clothing and other evidences of the tragedy were found in the running gear of the locomotive. It is stated that the man had been to Fair Bluff during the day and had some trouble and was on his way home down the railroad track when he was struck by the train, though the fact was not known to the engineer until the body was found, this leading to the conclusion that the man must have been asleep on the track or may have been foully dealth with and left on the rails to hide a possible murder. The case was investigated by a coroner's jury in Columbus county.

HOW TO GET FAT.

Use Samose, Says Druggist J. Hicks Bunting and Put on Good Flesh.

The almost universal interest in physical culture is the best evidence that can be offered as to the need of a simple and scientific method of making thin people fat, increasing strength and restoring health.

Athletics, when carried to an extreme, often result in straining the vital organs. How much better it would be for the average person to regain health, strength and flesh by using Samose. This flesh forming food is assimilated as soon as it enters the stomach; it helps the organs to assimilate the food and extracts the flesh forming elements; it builds up the muscles and rounds out the limbs into shapely plumpness.

Samose has been so successful in making thin people fat and restoring the weak and run down to strength and health that J. Hicks Bunting, the popular druggist, sells it under his personal guarantee to refund the money if it does not benefit.

"Nature's Gift from the Sunny South"

Cottolene Comes from Dixieland!

The source of lard is against it. Lard-cooked food may not cause indigestion and throw your stomach out of kilter, but it will be only a matter of luck if it doesn't.

The source of *Cottolene* is pleasing—the product is healthful. The oil is extracted from the cotton seed grown in the fields of the Sunny South. It is then refined and rendered odorless and neutral in taste. *From Cottonfield to Kitchen*—human hands never touch the oil from which *Cottolene* is made.

Cottolene is an absolutely pure product—of pure origin and ancestry, and will make palatable, digestible, healthful, wholesome food. It is the best frying and shortening medium made to-day. If the best is none too good for you, ask your grocer for *Cottolene*, and do not let any prejudice stand in the way. The only way to know *Cottolene* is to test it yourself.

COTTOLENE is Guaranteed Your grocer is hereby authorized to refund your money in case you are not pleased, after having given Cottolene a fair test.

Never Sold in Bulk *Cottolene* is packed in pails with an air-tight top to keep it clean, fresh and wholesome, and prevent it from catching dust and absorbing disagreeable odors, such as fish, oil, etc.

Made only by THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY

FOR $3 98

You can buy a heavy Taffeta Under Skirt in Black and Colors, value $5.00 and $6.00. See window display.

THE C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY

"The Store That's Always Busy"

FOR 50c Yd.

You can buy the Fashionable Tussah Silk in 15 different colors. The new silk this season.

To Those who Contemplate Buying Their EASTER GOODS

Before the rush is on, we will offer this week some "Extra Specials" of NEW GOODS---received the past week---read each article carefully, then come and make your selections.

Fashion says, "Foulard Silks for Spring of 1910."

For 69c a yard you can buy a regular $1.00 Foulard Silk, in all the new colors and designs. Trimmings to match.

For 85c a yard you can buy our regular $1.00 and $1.25 Foulard Silk, good heavy quality in all the latest colors. Trimmings to match.

For $1.09 a yard, you can buy our 36-inch Foulard Silk, worth $1.50 a yard, in six different colors and designs. Trimmings to match. Japonika Silks in all the new shades for Spring are now on display, 27 inches wide, the price, per yard.....35c

New Coat Suits for Spring are now ready for your inspection.

Prices range from $15.00 to $37.50. All new and the best to be had for the money. Come early and make your selection.

The celebrated Star Skirts, for which we are sale agents, are all on display. Every skirt is guaranteed to fit and the best the money can buy. Full assortment to select from. Prices from...$5.00 to $15.00

New Lingeree Shirt Waists are in and prettier than ever, from.....98c to $5.00
On display in Suit Department.

New Embrodeirs, New Laces, New Trimings, New Trunks, Suit Cases and Bags, New Wash Goods, New Linens, New Neckwear.

The C. W. POLVOGT CO.

Sole agents W. B., Kabo and Gussard Corsets—Priestley's black Dress Goods.

BANKING

—is easily and satisfactorily conducted by customers of this institution. The location is central, the officers polite and obliging, and one essential feature always prevails—funds are always at hand to assist a customer.

THE SOUTHERN NATIONAL BANK

fe 17 tf

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Brief Mention, News of Societies, Meetings, Etc.

Mrs. H. K. Blats and Miss Lila Mason are the guests of friends and relatives at Long Creek, Pender county.

* * *

Miss Lilla J. Buck, after a visit of several days in the city, has gone to Waycross, Ga., where she will visit friends for a few weeks before returning to her home at Waycross, Ga.

* * *

The regular Friday night german will be held at the Kneisel Dancing Academy tonight. The children's classes will meet at 4 o'clock this afternoon as usual.

* * *

The Misses Schulken delightfully entertained a large number of their friends from 4 to 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon at their home, 314 North Fourth street, at an "At Home." The event proved one of great enjoyment to all who attended.

* * *

Garland, N. C., Feb. 17.—On last Wednesday night a Valentine party was given by the ladies of South River Presbyterian Church at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Sloan. Valentines and refreshments were sold and a neat sum of money realized. The proceeds go to a fund for a carpet for South River Church.

* * *

The engagement of Miss Annie Blount DeRosset and William A. Townes, Esq., both of this city, has been announced. The wedding will be celebrated the latter part of April. The announcement of the engagement of the popular couple has been received with much interest in local social circles. Mr. Townes is special attorney in the Freight Claim Department of the A. C. L. with headquarters in this city.

* * *

There will be an important meeting of members of the Wilmington Red Cross Chapter Monday morning at 11 o'clock in the parlors of the Colonial Inn. The public is cordially invited to attend this meeting whether members of the Chapter or not to hear reports of the work and its objects and aims for the future. The Society has been quite successful with all its work heretofore and it is to be hoped that the meeting Monday will be one of enthusiasm and encouragement.

* * *

It will be a great pleasure to alumni and members of the social set of Wilmington, as well as the public generally, to know that the University Glee Club will appear at the Academy of Music here on the evening of April 8th. It is hoped to make this a social as well as an artistic event and Wilmington will be certain to turn out en masse to greet the University boys this season. The club is said to be larger and brighter than ever this year. It will arrive from Newbern at 12 noon on April 8th and go to Fayetteville on the morning of the 9th, according to present plans. Members of the Club will travel in their own private car and it is likely that while they are here, they will be entertained at some social function in their honor.

* * *

ENJOYABLE SOCIAL MEETING OF SOROSIS.

A most delightful social meeting of the North Carolina Sorosis was held in the Owls' club rooms, on Princess street, yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock and despite the severe weather the attendance was large. The club was entertained by the Literary Department, the programme including a recitation, "Beaind the Curtain," by Miss Price; solo by Mrs. J. D. Edwards, and a recitation, "Daisies' Faith," by Miss Mae Kingsbury, each number being greatly enjoyed by the assemblage. Following the rendition of the programme tea was served.

Preceding the social session a short business meeting was held at which it was decided to secure the Ben Greet players to present two of Shakespeare's plays on the afternoon of April 18th and 19th. The presentation will be in the open, probably on the High School campus.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Messrs. W. R. McRacken, A. E. and R. C. Powell, of Whiteville, passed through the city yesterday enroute to Baltimore and New York City.

—Miss Hattie Taylor and Mrs. Lillie Taylor Weil left Wednesday evening for the Northern markets to select Spring and Summer millinery for Taylor's Bazaar.

—Yesterday's arrivals at The Orton included: T. H. Shuford, Charlotte; Oscar High, Whiteville; R. M. White, Whiteville; C. W. Munger, Newbern; Miss Lilie B. Powell, Whiteville; G. H. Currie, Clarkton.

—Among the guests at The Southern yesterday were: R. T. Rivenbark, Watha; J. C. Crockett, Charlotte; E. J. O'Hard, Florence, S. C.; D. J. Corbett, Currie; J. D. Burney and A. D. Clews, Emerson; D. S. Black, Burgaw; W. T. Flynn, Kelly; D. G. Hewett and C. A. Russ, Shallotte; Alex. Smith, Clarkton; O. M. Powers, Chadbourn; T. P. Quinn, Kenansville.

NEXT YEAR IN RALEIGH.

Tri-State Medical Association—Two North Carolinians Are Elected.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 17.—The Tri State Medical Association of Virginia North Carolina and South Carolina in convention here this morning decided to meet next year in Raleigh, the third Wednesday in February and elected the following officers:

Dr. Joseph A. White, Richmond, Va., president; Dr. Jos. Graham, Durham, N. C., first vice president; Dr. T. P Whaley, Charleston, S. C., second vice president; Dr. Samuel Lyle, Lynchburg, Va., third vice president; Dr G. H. Way, Waynesville, N. C., secretary and treasurer.

MAKE DELICIOUS DESSERTS
...ful of Blue Ribbon ...lon Extract to each dessert you have. This flavors perfectly.

The Theatre.

The regular semi-weekly change of programme went on yesterday at the Crystal Palace and was just as bright and just as clever as the offering of the first part of the week. The two big novelty acts, one furnished by Mme. Blachard and the other by the Great Lee, again scored heavily and again made folks of the impression that the present bill at the Palace is not only one of the best ever seen there, but is the very best for novelty. The team of Quigley and Adair presented a repertoire of new songs, while their comedy work otherwise was really a "howl" for the audience. This sketch team is a splendid one and also injects such novelty into the bill by some laughable, but at the same time expert roller skating. Miss Austin was also heard in a new and delightful illustrated song. But two more days remains of the present bill.

The Cat and the Fiddle.

How like the strains of an old familiar song, or the voice of an old friend from far away come to us the lines of the old nursery rhyme. We, whose weary, way-bruised feet have trodden the gray old road of daily life, beaten down and trampled by a myriad of hurrying people, at the magic sound of that old lullaby are wooed by its spell back to the fairyland of childhood. Again our childish ears listen to the voices in the wood-land, and our eyes catch the flashing glimpses of the tiny fleeting forms.

A company of over forty people selected with the care and skill of long experience, will be seen in the musical extravaganza. The principals are all well known as popular favorites including Chas. A Sellon and the El More Sisters and the performance promises one of the rarest musical treats offered this season.

"The Cat and the Fiddle" will be at the Academy Monday night and seats will go on sale tomorrow, Saturday.

Some Swell Song Hits.

"Thursday is my Jonah Day," "The Waning Honeymoon," "Blow the Smoke Away," "I Don't Like Your Family," "First and Only," "It's Lonesome Tonight," "Uncle Sam's Best Girl," "Dixie I Love You," "Don't You Tell" and ten other big musical hits are now being sung with "The Time, The Place and the Girl" Company, which will be offered here at the Academy Wednesday night, February 23rd. Will E. Houga, Frank R. Adams and Joseph Howard, a trio that is hard to beat for a comedy with music, are responsible for this production. The play is undoubtedly in a class of its own. It is unquestionably the best musical aggregation now touring the country. It has a unique plot, catchy music, pretty girls, a chorus of fifty, which includes twelve sizzling "Broilers" who are always full of ginger from beginning to end.

Seats will go on sale next Tuesday morning.

At the Bijou Today.

"The Christian Martyrs" and "In the Consomme," are the titles of the pictures that will be shown at the Bijou today. The first is a romantic tragedy of early Rome, the story woven around the life of the Empress, Faustina, the mother of Nero. It is a dignified presentation of early Roman times showing the martyrdom suffered and endured at the dawn of Christianity by those who first came to realize the great truth expounded and taught by the disciples of the Man of Sorrows. The second is a fountain of farcical fun.

LOCAL DOTS.

—There was no session of the Recorder's court yesterday for the very good reason that there were no cases on the docket for trial.

—Deputy Sheriff A. T. Piver left last night for Goldsboro to take to the State Hospital there Dinah Ballard, a colored woman, recently adjudged insane.

—A report reached the city last evening that a vessel with a large number of passengers on board had gone down off the coast nearly opposite Middle Sound. Inquiry by telephone last night on Middle Sound failed to verify the rumor.

—The Board of Audit and Finance will hold an adjourned meeting tonight. The proposition to purchase two blocks in the eastern part of the city to be used as a park will come up for the concurrence of the board. The Aldermen, at their last meeting, passed a resolution appropriating $7,500 for the purchase of the property. The matter has been discussed pro and con and there is much interest in the probable action of the Board of Audit and Finance.

PROGRESS IN LAND CASE.

Testimony for Plaintiff in Action Against Government Completed.

Satisfactory progress was made yesterday in the United States Court in the trial of the case entitled Thomas M. Thompson, Jr., against M. F. Harmon, involving the ownership to a part of the Fort Caswell reservation. Some ten or twelve witnesses for the plaintiff were examined yesterday and just before adjournment for the day the attorneys announced that with the offering this morning of some documentary evidence the plaintiff would rest its case. There are a number of witnesses for the government, including Maj. M. F. Harmon, put down as defendant in the action; Mr. S. F. Burbank, of the government engineer service at Honolulu; Capt. R. P. Johnston, of Asheville, and Col. H. H. Ludlow, present commander at Fort Caswell, but it is likely that all will be examined today, so tomorrow may be left for argument of counsel and the judge's charge.

Sore Lungs and Raw Lungs.

Most people know the feeling and the miserable state of ill health it indicates. All people should know that Foley's Honey and Tar, the greatest throat and lung remedy, will quickly cure the soreness and cough and restore a normal condition. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar. Robert R. Bellamy.

The ads will show you whether or not there's a chance today to buy that piece of furniture at your price.

FRANCES WILLARD MEMORIAL.

Interesting and Impressive Exercises Last Night at Grace Church.

Although the weather was decidedly threatening, the Frances Willard Memorial, under the auspices of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, at Grace M. E. Church, last night, was very interesting and appropriate to the occasion. Mrs. E. R. Clarke presided in the absence of other executive officers of the W. C. T. U. and the programme was carried out with much interest and pleasure to all assembled. The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. M. Wells, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, and the singing was led by a well trained choir. The address of Rev. T. A. Smoot on "The Life and Work of Frances Willard", was a most interesting and helpful review of the work of this good woman and an equally fine testimonial was given in a reading by Mrs. Newcombe, a "Tribute to Frances Willard." "The Present Day Outlook of the Temperance Reform," by Rev. J. H. Foster, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist church, was an especially strong discourse and told something of the temperance work in the country generally. Dr. Foster quoted a number of interesting and informing statistics, which were most encouraging. Mr. W. M. Cumming rather departed from the set address assigned to him and rather discussed in an optimistical way the attitude of the temperance people with regard to conditions in Wilmington present and future. He was heard with much interest and pleasure. The other exercises were of an appropriate and helpful character the benediction having been pronounced by Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

BALL FRANCHISE SOLD.

Bid in For Mortgagees at the Amount of Indebtedness—Future.

Representing the mortgagees, Mr William Struthers, Jr., yesterday purchased at foreclosure sale the Wilmington baseball franchise in the Eastern Carolina League. Though the amount named at the bidding was only $500, it is learned that Mr. Struthers really bid in the franchise for the holders of the mortgage at the amount of the club's indebtedness, $1,700. The sale, of course, will be confirmed and with this the baseball situation in Wilmington will be considerably clarified. The owners of the franchise are now the 17 members of the mortgage pool, all well known baseball enthusiastis, who will either form a strong stock company for the operation of the team this season, or will lease the franchise to one of several managers, who are said to be bidding for the lease. One of these is said to be Mr. J. Ed Smith, successful as an amateur manager in this city for several years and well posted as to the game professionally. As player-manager popular and steady Bert Kite will probably be at the helm and this assures patrons of the sport a good, fast and clean game throughout the season.

MR. FRANK ALEXANDER.

Leaves Shanghai for Important Post With Big Tobacco Company.

Many friends of Mr. W. F. Alexander, Jr., son of former County Commissioner W. F. Alexander, will be interested and pleased to know of his recent very substantial promotion to the London office of the British-American Tobacco Company, Limited, from a post in Shanghai, China, where he has been located for several years and where he has won a place of high confidence with his employers. A recent letter from Mr. Alexander stated that he was leaving Shanghai January 29th, via Harbin, and across Siberia for a voyage to London, where he will have a responsible position with the large commercial concern with which he has been connected since leaving America half a dozen years ago. He was a personal friend of the manager of the Shanghai office of the big corporation and had won a high place there, but the promotion came along to the London office and he was loath to decline it. He has probably ere this reached London and entered upon his new duties where his friends hope he may be pleasantly situated.

One Action Brings on Another.

Emma Cardual, colored, was tried before Justice Bornemann yesterday afternoon on a peace warrant sworn out by Pauline Thurber. She was adjudged guilty and required to give $50 bond to keep the peace for six months. Just after the trial Lillian Greene, sister of Emma Cardual, and a teacher in one of the colored schools, swore out a warrant against Pauline Thurber for slander. Rev. G. W. Johnson, colored, formerly of this city, but now of Boston, will probably be an important witness in the case and the time for the trial will not be set until he is heard from as to when he can come here.

Mr. E. A. Kelley, Belvidere, Ill., writes us: "I am an ex-engineer with 22 years active service to my credit. About three years ago my kidneys were affected so that I had to give up my engine. First I was troubled with severe aching pain over the hips. Then followed inflammation of the bladder, and specks appeared before my eyes. A sample of Foley's Kidney Pills that I tried, so benefitted me that I bought more. I continued to take them until now I can safely testify they have made me a sound and well man." Robert R. Bellamy.

In the manufacture of
Taylor's COCOA
Cocoa Beans of the highest grades only, scientifically blended, are used.
Cleanliness and Workmanship in our Plant are as carefully scrutinized as is the quality of material used.
Under such conditions it is not surprising that
Taylor's COCOA
is the acknowledged Best on the World. The standard by which others are judged. Quality higher than price. Price within the reach of all.

REMOVES TO FAYETTEVILLE.

Mr. W. F. Alexander to Engage in Livery and Sales Stable Business.

Many friends in New Hanover county will learn with regret that Mr. W. F. Alexander, former county commissioner, and one of Wilmington's most highly esteemed residents, has decided to locate elsewhere and will leave today for his new residence, which will be in Fayetteville, where he has just purchased the Holmes & Godwin livery and sales stables, on Morgan street, in that city. Mr. Alexander's family will follow him to his new home next week. Mr. Alexander has excellent business prospects at Fayetteville and is much impressed with the future of that growing city. He will have associated with him in business Mr. John Holmes and the style of the firm will be Alexander & Holmes, the junior member of the firm being a son-in-law of Mr. J. D. Sessom, so well and favorably known throughout this section of the State. Both are experienced men in the business in which they will engage and Mr. Alexander and Mr. Holmes will take charge as co-partners on Saturday morning of this week.

Mr. Alexander was for a number of years a member of the firm of Orrell & Alexander, of this city. He served several terms as a member of the Board of County Commissioners and enjoys the respect and esteem of the community. He is commended to the people of Fayetteville and Cumberland county as a most excellent citizen and the regret is that Wilmington has to give him up.

NATIONAL LEAGUE DEADLOCK.

Club Owners Still Unable to Agree Upon the Schedule.

New York, Feb. 17.—After four days of endeavor, National League magnates were unable tonight to adopt a schedule for the coming season and adjourned until tomorrow. Horace Fogel, president of the Philadelphia Club, who has been sick ostensibly with gout left presumably for Philadelphia. Stanley Robson, of St. Louis and C. H. Ebbetts are also on the sick list.

President John Brush, of New York, was also ailing and had to be assisted to the meeting.

Only one vote on the question of adopting the long schedule of 169 games or the short schedule of 154 games, was taken. With the proxies of Fogel and Robison held by Charles W. Murphy, of Chicago, it was announced that the vote of yesterday was unchanged to Cincinnati, Pittsburg and Boston favoring the short schedule and the others holding out for the long list.

Heated argument arose over the fact that both schedules assign six conflicting dates to St. Louis and two to Chicago. Both Robison and Murphy are insisting that there must be a change.

This complicates matters so that it looks like a hopeless deadlock with a possibility that the magnates may adjourn for two weeks tomorrow with the hope of effecting a settlement.

Baltimore, of the Eastern League, today, sold Jim Maroney, the left handed pitcher, to the Philadelphia Nationals. This makes seven South paws the Phillies have on their staff.

Fogel's hasty departure for Philadelphia tonight came after four days of virtual imprisonment in his room.

When President Murphy, of Chicago, heard today that the American League had voted a salary of $25,000 a year to Ban Johnson he said: "That's pretty hot press agent work!"

Dreyfuss said tonight that the National League magnates were acting like a "lot of jealous chorus girls;" that it was "one grand fight over trivial matters;" and that he was going home to attend to more important business.

President Lynch said tonight that he thought that after this season the National League Commission would pass upon the schedules, arranging dates that would work automatically year after year.

A GEORGIA DUEL.

Citizens Fight It Out With Pistols in Streets.

Georgetown, Ga., Feb. 17.—In a pistol duel on the streets of this place today G. O. Keigler shot and fatally wounded his brother-in-law, Walter Vining. Both men are well connected and the shooting created a sensation. It is stated that the men had been on bad terms for a long time. Keigler surrendered to the proper authorities and is held pending the termination of Vining's injury.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The nomination of Barnes Gillespie to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Virginia was today sent to the Senate by President Taft.

DOCTOR ADVISED OPERATION

Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Galena, Kans.—"A year ago last March I fell, and a few days after there was soreness in my right side. In a short time a bunch came and it bothered me so much at night I could not sleep. It kept growing larger and by fall it was as large as a hen's egg. I could not go to bed without a hot water bottle applied to that side. I had one of the best doctors in Kansas and he told my husband that I would have to be operated on as it was something like a tumor caused by a rupture. I wrote to you for advice and you told me not to get discouraged but to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I did take it and soon the lump in my side broke and passed away."—Mrs. R. R. Huey, 713 Mineral Ave., Galena, Kans.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, has proved to be the most successful remedy for curing the worst forms of female ills, including displacements, inflammation, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, and nervous prostration. It costs but a trifle to try it, and the result has been worth millions to many suffering women.

If you want special advice write for it to Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass. It is free and always helpful.

TO ACQUIRE HOCKING VALLEY.

C. & O. Officials Negotiating for Control of the Road.

New York, Feb. 17.—Chesapeake & Ohio officials admitted today that they are negotiating for control of the Hocking Valley Railroad.

An officer and director said: "We need the Hocking Valley. It will take our coal to the lakes at Toledo with a haul shorter by 100 miles than our present route over the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton.

"Our control of the Hocking Valley is only a question of time. We own 11,540 shares, a sixth interest in the majority of the Hocking Valley stock, and our dealings with the Pan-handle, which owns two-sixth of the majority, and the Erie, the Baltimore & Ohio, and Lake Shore, each of which owns one-sixth, are rapidly approaching consummation. Incidentally we will sooner or later acquire the Chicago Cincinnati & Louisville, which will give us an entrance into Chicago."

In order that the Hocking Valley may be of use to the Chesapeake & Ohio, the latter will have to obtain control of the Kanawha & Michigan, which connects the two.

BEN MORRIS, JR., CONVICTED.

Young Man at Asheville Foung Guilty of Manslaughter.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 17.—Acquitted before the coroner's jury, on the ground of justifiable homicide, Ben Morris, Jr., an 18-year-old boy, was found guilty by a jury in Superior Court of manslaughter today, after 23 hours' deliberation.

He killed Joe Capps at the Morris House in this city, claiming that Capps in a drunken condition was tearing up furniture and made at him with a razor. Morris is prominently connected. He will be sentenced tomorrow.

President Helps Orphans.

Hundreds of orphans have been helped by the president of the Industrial and Orphans' Home at Macon, Ga., who writes: "We have used Electric Bitters in this institution for nine years. It has proved a most excellent medicine for stomach, liver and kidney troubles. We regard it as one of the best family medicines on earth." It invigorates all vital organs, purifies the blood, aids digestion, creates appetite. To strengthen and build up pale, thin, weak children or run down people it has no equal. Best for female complaints. Only 50c at Robt. R. Bellamy.

The Sewing Light
The Rayo Lamp

makes the long evening brilliant with its steady white light for sewing or reading. Made of brass, nickel plated and equipped with the latest improved central draft burner.

The Rayo is a low-priced lamp, but you cannot get a better lamp at any price.

Once a Rayo user, always one.

Every Dealer Everywhere. If Not At Yours, Write for Descriptive Circular to the Nearest Agency of the

STANDARD OIL COMPANY
(Incorporated)

SULPHUR—HANCOCK'S SULPHUR COMPOUND

LIQUID LARGE, $1.00. SMALL, 50c. Effective for Eczema, Itch, Ringworm. All Skin Eruptions and Scalp Ailments.

You need not go to the Sulphur Springs; this gives you a perfect Sulphur Bath and invigorating Tonic Drink.

OINTMENT LARGE JAR, 50c. SMALL 25c. Results are surprising for Hemorrhoids, Piles, Sores, Swellings, Inflamed or Chafed Parts, etc.

Splendid for the complection; keeps the skin soft and removes Pimples, Blemishes, Blackheads, etc. Try it. For Sale by Druggists. Manfd by

Hancock Liquid Sulphur Co., Baltimore, Md. Write us for booklet on Sulphur.

The BELLE of CAROLINA

Is the Finest Product of the Vine.

It's a rich, dark red wine, light in alcohol, and made from the largest and choicest Flowers Grapes. Its flavor is delightful. Connoiseurs all over the country unite in praising this product of Carolinas' sunny vineyards.

Bear's "Belle of Carolina," served with any informal dinner, adds much to the pleasure of the occasion.

One case containing 12 bottles (5s) will be shipped express prepaid for $7.00. Write for booklet containing Price List and many helpful hints on the selection and serving of wine. All of our goods are guaranteed under the National and State Pure Food Laws.

SOL. BEAR & COMPANY,
WILMINGTON, N. C.

J. M. Solky & Co.

The One Price Clothiers and Furnishers.

THE COLD WEATHER IS STILL CONTINUING AND SO IS OUR PRICES OF REDUCTION ON OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING.

YOU ARE MISSING AN OPPORTUNITY THAT DON'T COME OFTEN TO OBTAIN CLOTHING FROM

10% to 50% Off
Their Regular Price.

THESE PRICES WILL NOT LAST LONG AS WE WILL SOON BE MAKING ROOM FOR OUR SPRING STOCK.

JUST THINK WHAT YOU ARE BUYING, THE BEST MADE GARMENTS IN THE CITY, STROUSE & BROS and B. KUPPENHEIMER'S GUARANTEED CLOTHING.

IF YOU NEED CLOTHES, TAKE A HINT AND BUY NOW. EVERYTHING GUARANTEED SATISFACTION TO A CUSTOMER OR MONEY REFUNDED.

J. M. SOLKY & CO.
Phone 617. Masonic Temple.

fe-15-17

CHILDREN'S SHOES

Hard-to-wear-out Shoes for boys

Neat, substantial Shoes for girls

PRICES RIGHT.

—AT—

PETERSON & RULFS
203 North Front St. Wilmington, N. C.

Pale Export BEER

This is to notify our customers that they can secure this popular brand by sending their orders to Petersburg, Va.

4 Doz. Bottles F. O. B. Petersb'g, $3.00.
10 Doz. Bottles F. O. B. Petersb'g, $7.50.

DARLEY PARK BREWING COMPANY
G. MORGAN KNIGHT, Manager. PETERSBURG, VA.

NOTICE

Boarding Horses is our Specialty

We also run a complete line of Hacks and Baggage Wagons to and from all trains.

CITY LIVERY COMPANY
Phone 15.

Advertising Brings Prosperity.

MARKET QUOTATIONS

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 17.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market, steady 58 cents.

ROSIN—Market, steady $3.90 per barrel.

TAR—Market, firm $2.00 per barrel.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market, firm $3.00 per barrel for hard; $4.50 for dip and $5.75 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine 37, rosin $2.65, tar $1.70, crude turpentine $1.75 and $2.75.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine ..... (—)
Rosin 331
Tar 214
Crude turpentine ..... (—)

Receipts, same day last year (—) casks spirits turpentine; (—) barrels rosin; 63 barrels tar; 13 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Nothing doing. Quotations corresponding day last year 8 9-16c.

Receipts—133 bales, same day last year 64 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith Feb. 12th.)

PEANUTS—North Carolina, No. 1, $1.12 and $1.20 per bushel; Spanish $1.40 and $1.50.

CORN—Firm 90@95c per bushel for mixed.

N. C. HAMS—Good demand; old hams 20; shoulders 14@15; sides 14@15c.

EGGS—Dull 24 and 25c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Spring 20@30; grown 35@45c; scarce.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2c per pound.

BEEF CATTLE—Good demand at 2@3 1-2c per pound on foot.

HIDE—Dr. flint 14c; green 8c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Good demand 55@60c per bushel for yams.

WOOL—Burr 18c.; free of burr 24c.

GEESE—50@55 per head.

PORK—Small corn fed 8@9; large 8@9 cents, owing to quality.

SHEEP—Old no demand; Lambs, dull $1.25@2.50.

TURKEYS—Good demand 15@16c on foot; dressed 18@22c.

PEAS—White black eyes $2.25 and $2.40; lady fingers $2.75; clay and cow peas $1.50 and $1.75.

THE COTTON MARKET.

New York, Feb. 17.—There was a renewal of heavy liquidation in the cotton market today but a sharp decline was more than recovered in the late trading and prices closed steady at a net advance of 2 to 11 points. The market opened steady at unchanged prices to an advance of 5 points in response to relatively firm cables but quickly weakened under liquidation attributed to concentrated long interests in May and local bear pressure which found the market without any important support. Liverpool cables were working very badly thus restricting the arbitrage buying which might otherwise have helped to sustain prices here, and with local sentiment bearish, about the only demand in evidence came from the covering of shorts on a scale down, until May contracts had sold at 14.45; spot houses were buyers around this never and covering became a little more active, but after a rally of 7 or — points from the lowest, the market weakened again under continued liquidation and a renewal of short selling, which was encouraged by the failure of the demand from spot houses to follow the market upon the advance. This second break carried May off to 14.43 and the active old crop months generally to a net loss of about 12 to 16 points but later offerings for long account were less urgent, making it look as though liquidation had pretty well run its course; reports from the South indicated that spot markets were slow to follow the decline in futures; and prices rallied sharply in the last hour on covering by early sellers, and buying by spot dealers, part of which was rumored to before the account of eastern mills. Last prices were close to the best with July relatively firm on buying for some interest who had sold May earlier in the day. Southern spot markets officially reported were unchanged to 1-8c lower. There was no change in character of reports from the dry goods situation, and but little attention was paid the reports of unseasonably cold weather with sleet or snow from parts of central and western belts.

Receipts at the ports today were 13,514 bales against 24,557 bales last week and 18,605 bales last year. For the week 85,000 bales against 87,779 bales last week and 124,140 bales last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans were 1,031 bales against 3,922 bales last year.

Spot cotton closed steady; middling uplands 14.80; middling gulf 15.05; sales 1,261 bales.

Futures opened and closed steady.

Month.	Open.	Close.
February		14.51
March	14 50	14.52
April		14.52
May	14.65	14.63
June		14.55
July	14.44	14.52
August	13.91	14.00
September		12.92
October	12.71	12.70
November	12.50	12.56
December	12.51	12.53

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Feb. 17.—Spot in fair demand, prices 3 points lower; American middling fair 8.51; good middling 8.21; middling 8.05; low middling 7.95; good ordinary 7.69; ordinary 7.44.

The sales of the day were 10,000 bales of which 1,000 were for speculation and export and included 9,200 American. Receipts 23,000 bales including 19,200 American. Futures opened and closed barely steady, February 7.77; February and March 7.75; March and April 7.75; April and May 7.78; May and June 7.67; June and July 7.61 1-2; July and August 7.56 1-2; August and September 7.35; September and October 6.87; October and November 6.65; November and December 6.55 1-2; December and January 6.53 1-2; January and February, February and March 6.52 1-2.

DICK BROS. & CO., COTTON LETTER.

New York, Feb. 17.—There was more or less irregularity and some readjustment of the speculative position as a result of today's trading in cotton. The premium of May over July which has been maintained around 20 points narrowed too 7 points before the middle of the afternoon thus suggesting the abandonment of the much advertised May squeeze by some of the old bull crowd.

For some time it had been apparent that these operators had been buying May on declines and selling July on bulges, probably in an effort to obtain a carrying charge in the event of taking up cotton on May contracts and delivering it on July. It was an illogical operation inasmuch as it involved standing open on long May cotton until short July could be sold against it at a desired advance. The unsettled tone of the market resulted from unfavorable news from Fall River which is believed to threaten possible labor disturbances.

Yarns are not reported weaker and the dry goods market is more or less unsettled. There were further declines in Southern spot markets, influenced largely by the recession in futures.

DICK BROS. & CO.

PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Quiet, 15; net receipts 3,131; stock 121,132.

New Orleans—Quiet, 14 1-5-16; net receipts 1,031; stock 192,898.

Mobile—Nominal, 15; net receipts 264; stock 24,695.

Savannah—Quiet, 14 7-8; net receipts 1,144; stock 74,057.

Charleston—Nominal, 14 15-16; net receipts 39; stock 23,449.

Wilmington—Nominal; net receipts 133; stock 17,085.

Norfolk—Steady, 14 7-8; net receipts 489; stock 30,097.

Baltimore—Nominal, 15; stock 9,546.

New York—Steady, 14.80; stock 161,653.

Boston—Steady, 14.80; net receipts 35.

Philadelphia—Steady, 15.05; stock 3,007.

Port Arthur and Sabine Pass—Net receipt 362.

Texas City—Net receipts 1,000.

Port Townsend—Net receipts 1,461.

Pensacola.: Net receipts 2,425.

Total today, at all ports, net receipts 13,514; France 2,425; Continent 6,466; Japan 1,461; Mexico 1,000; stock 662,552.

Consolidated, at all ports, net receipts 82,564; Great Britain 18,800; France 8,608; Continent 62,153; Japan 1,461; Mexico 1,000.

Total since September 1st, at all ports, net receipts 5,888,384; Great Britain 1,640,549; France 768,283; Continent 1,981,268; Japan 54,005; Mexico 13,819.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 14 7-8; net receipts 2,754; stock 112,090.

Augusta—Quiet, 14 7-8; net receipts 153; stock 58,289.

Memphis—Nominal, 13 3-8; net receipts 1,222; stock 178,434.

St. Louis—Quiet, 15 1-4; net receipts 109; stock 43,545.

Cincinnati—Net receipts 1,163; stock 14,314.

Little Rock—Steady, 14 3-4; net receipts 132; stock 50,244.

Louisville—Firm, 15 1-2.

Total today—Net receipts 5,533; gross receipts 8,543; shipments 9,388; sales 181; stock 456,852.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Feb. 17.—Flour steady with a fair inquiry.

Rye Flour—Firm.

Buckwheat Flour—Dull.

Corn Meal—Steady.

Rye—Firm.

Wheat—Easy; No. 2 red 1.31 nominal elevator, domestic and nominal fob afloat. Options closed at 1-4 to 3-8c net decline. May 121 1-2. July 1.12 1-4.

Corn—Spot steady; No. 2 nominal elevator (domestic and delivered No. 2 fob afloat 72 3-4 nominal. Options closed unchanged to 1-8c net advance. May 76 7-8; July 77 1-2; September 77.

Oats—Spot firm; mixed nominal. Options 1-4c higher. May closed 53 3-4.

Beef—Firm.

Lard—Strong.

Tallow—Steady.

Rice—Steady.

Molasses—Quiet.

Sugar—Raw firm; refined steady.

Coffee—Futures closed steady, net unchanged to 5 points higher. Spot quiet; Rio No. 7, 8 3-4; Santos No. 4, 9 1-8 to 9 1-4 mild quiet; Cordova 9 1-2 to 12 1-4.

Butter—Firm; creamery specials 31; extras 30; third to first 25 to 29; held second to special 25 to 31; state dairy, common to finest 25 to 29; process, first to special 24 1-2 to 29 1-2.

Cheese—Firm, unchanged.

Eggs—Firm; state, Pennsylvania and nearby hennery, white fancy 30 to 38; do gathered white 30 to 37; do hennery brown and mixed, fancy 28 to 29; do gathered brown, fair to prime 27 to 28.

Potatoes—Easy, unchanged.

Cabbages—Steady, unchanged.

Freights and Peanuts—Unchanged.

The cotton seed oil market was firmer on smaller offerings and a better demand influenced by the strength in lard. Prices at the close were unchanged to 8 points net higher. The sales of 10,700 barrls. March 7.15 to 7.16; May 6.31; July 7.37 to 7.38; September 7.36 to 7.38; prime crude 6.00; do summer yellow 7.05 to 7.20; do winter yellow 7.15 to 7.50; do summer white 7.25 to 7.50.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 17.—The cotton goods market was somewhat more active today in the gray goods division on a basis of 6 1-8 for 39 inch 68x72s. The jobbers are still doing a seasonable business with very gratifying results reported in a special sale of dress goods. Japan raw silk is firmer. Many retailers are in the market.

THE GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, Feb. 17.—Grain prices advanced in the first half of the session here and re-trograded in the final hours of the day, finishing from 1-4 to 3-4 lower than yesterday, wheat leading in both the advance and held their gains better, finishing from 7 1-2 to 15c higher than yesterday's closing.

	Opening.	Highest.	Closing.
Wheat—			
May	1 13	1 15	1 13 7-8
July	1 05	1 05 3-8	1 04 1-2
Sept	1 00	1 00 3-4	99 3-4
Corn—			
May	68 5-8	68 5-8	67 7-8
July	69 3-8	69 3-8	68 3-8
Sept	69 1-8	69 1-8	68 1-4
Oats—			
May	48 1-2	48 1-2	48
July	45 1-8	45 1-8	44 1-2
Sept	41 3-8	41 1-2	41
Mess Pork, per bbl.—			
May	23 65	23 82 1-2	23 70
July	21 75	12 77 1-2	23 62 1-2
Lard, per 100 lbs.—			
May	12 90	12 90	12 87
July	12 82 1-2	12 82 1-2	12 82 1-2
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.—			
May	12 55	12 55	12 50
July	12 47 1-2	12 50	12 47 1-2

CHICAGO CASH GRAIN.

Chicago, Feb. 17.—Cash wheat No. 2 red 1.25 to 1.26 1-2; No. 3 red 1.18 to 1.23 1-2; No. 2 hard 1.15 to 1.16 1-4; No. 3 hard 1.13 to 1.15 1-2; No. 1 northern 1.17 to 1.19; No. 2 do 1.16 to 1.18; No. 3 spring 1.14 to 1.17.

Corn—No. 2 65 1-2 to 66; No. 2 white 66 1-2; No. 2 yellow 65 1-2; No. 3, 64 1-4 to 65; No. 3 white 64 1-2 to 65 1-2; No. 3 yellow 64 to 65; No. 4, 60 to 62; No. 4 white 61 to 62; No. 4 yellow 61 to 62 1-2.

Oats—No. 2 48 3-4; No. 2 white 50 to 50 1-4; No. 3, 47 1-2; No. 3 white 48 to 49 1-4; No. 4, do 47 1-2 to 48 1-4; standard 49 1-4 to 50.

THE STOCK MARKET.

New York, Feb. 17.—Prices of stocks rose further today, although it was a noticeable fact that Reading which made up more than one-third of the aggregate dealings yesterday, was pressed for sale steadily in realizing profits on the sharp rise yesterday. The days gains were but partly held.

There was no one stock as prominent today as was Reading yesterday, but the large congestion of dealings in Union Pacific and United States Steel and the progressive upward movement of those stocks carried out the indication of large professional participation in the transactions which made up the body of the market. There was a significant subsidence of talk of the "Reading mystery", which started prices upwards yesterday. That stock was heavy and drooping and the second preferred stock relapsed sharply, as is customary when speculation passed it by.

Reassuring views of the iron and Steel trade from a trade authority and the expressed conviction that the fall in demand was due as much to inability to deliver ales by weather blockades of freight as to any falling off in consumptive demand was a sustaining influence in United States Steel and by sympathy to other stocks. There were large purchases of that stock and of Union and Southern Pacific for London account.

One of the points advanced by professional buyers of stocks was the hope that the discl-line dealt by the stock exchange to the member concerned in the Columbus and Hocking Coal and Iron pool might invite public confidence and attract outside participation in the stock market.

The engagement of a million and a quarter dollars in gold for shipment to South America for London account, was without appreciable effect on the money market. Its influence on the stock market was neutralized by the large buying for foreign account which went hand-in-hand with it. All three of the great foreign banks sent very strong weekly returns and the great abundance of money in the Paris market is a material factor towards strengthening the whole investment situation.

Bonds were firm. Total sales, par value, were $3,373,000. United States were unchanged on call.

Total sales for the day were 829,300 shares.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 17.—Money on call easy 2 1-2 to 3 per cent, ruling rate and closing bid 2 3-4, offered at 3. Time loans steady; sixty days 3 1-2 and ninety days 3 1-2 to 3 3-4; six months 3 3-4 to 4.

Prime mercantile paper 4 1-2 to 5 per cent. Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers bills at 4.8440 to .50 for sixty day bills and at 4.8640 for demand. Commercial bills 4.83 1-2 to 4.84 1-2. Bar silver 52 1-4. Mexican dollars 44.

U. S. BONDS.

U. S. ref. 2s registered	100 1-2
U. S. ref. 2s. coupon	100 1-2
U. S. 3s. registered	102 1-4
U. S. 3s. coupon	102 1-4
U. S. 4s. registered	114 1-2
U. S. 4s coupon	114 1-2
Allis Chalmers 1st 5s	81 1-2
American Agricultural 5s	102 1-2
American Tel. & Tel. cv. 4s	102
American Tobacco 4s	80 3-4
American Tobacco 6s	104 1-2
Armour & Co. 4 1-2s	92 3-8
Atchison gen. 4s	100 1-4
Atchison cv 4s	116 1-4
Atchison cv. 5s	117 1-2
Atlantic Coast Line 1st 4s	98
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	99 1-2
Baltimore & Ohio 3 1-2s	92 1-2
Baltimore & Ohio S. W. 3 1-2s	90 1-2
Brooklyn Transit cv 4s	83 3-4
Central of Georgia 5s	108 3-8
Central Leather 5s	99 1-2
Central R. R. of N. J. gen. 5s	123
Chesapeake & Ohio 4 1-2s	103 1-4
Chesapeake & Ohio ref. 5s	104 1-4
Chicago & Alton 3 1-2s	74
Chicago, B. & Q. joint 4s	96 3-4
Chicago, B. & Q. gen. 4s	98 3-4
Chicago, Mil. & St. P. gen. 3 1-2s	87
Chicago, R. I. & P. R. R. col. 4s	81 1-4
Chicago, R. I. & P. Ry. rfg. 4s	91
Colorado Industrial 5s	80
Colorado Midland 4s	79
Colo. & Southern ref. & ext. 4 1-2s	98 7-8
Delaware & Hudson cv. 4s	100 3-8
Denver & Rio Grande 4s	86 1-4
Denver & Rio Grande ref 5s	93 3-4
Distillers 5s	73 5-8
Erie prior lien 4s	84 1-2
Erie Gen. 4s	75
Erie cv. 4s series "A"	78 1-2
Erie cv. 4s series "B"	70 1-2
General Electric cv. 5s	143
Illinois Central 1st ref. 4s	99
Interborough Met. 4 1-2s	82 1-4
Inter. Merc. Marine 4 1-2s	68 1-2
Japan 4s	92 1-8
Japan 4 1-2s	95 7-2
Kansas City Southern 1st 3s	73 1-8
Lake Shore deb. 4s (1931)	94
Louisville & Nash. Un. 4s	98 7-8
Missouri, Kan. & Texas 1st 4s	99
Mo., Kan. & Texas gen. 4 1-2s	80 1-2
Missouri Pacific 4s	80 3-4
National Rys. of Mexico 4 1-2s	95
New York Central gen. 3 1-2s	90 1-4
New York Central deb. 4s	95 1-4
N. Y. N. H. & Hartford cv. 6s	135 3-8
Norfolk & Western 1st con 4s	99 1-2
Norfolk & Western cv. 4s	103 3-4
Northern Pacific 4s	101
Northern Pacific 3s	73 3-4
Oregon Short Line rfg 4s	94 5-8
Penn. cv. 3 1-2s. (1915)	91 3-4
Penn. Con. 4s	104 1-2
Reading gen. 4s	99 5-8
St. Louis & San Fran. fg 4s	84
St. Louis & San Fran. gen. 5s	88 3-4
St. Louis S'western con 4s	79 1-2
St. Louis S'western 1st gold 4s	93
Seaboard Air Line 4s	82 1-2
Southern Pacific col. 4s	93 1-2
Southern Pacific cv. 4s	103
Southern P. R. R. 1st ref. 4s	95 1-8
Southern Railway 5s	108
Southern Railway gen. 4s	79 7-8
Union Pacific 4s	101 1-4
Union Pacific cv. 4s	109 3-4
Union Pacific 1st and ref. 4s	98
U. S. Rubber 6s	103
U. S. Steel 2nd 5s	105 1-4
Virginia Car. Chemical 5s	98 3-4
Wabash 1st 5s	111 1-2
Wabash 1st and ext 4s	79 1-4
Western Md., 4s	92
Westinghouse Electric cv 5s	92
Wisconsin Central 4s	94 3-4

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Allis Chalmers pfd	42
Amalgamated Copper	76 3-4
American Agricultural	47
American Beet Sugar	38 3-4
American Can pfd	76 1-2
American Car & Foundry	62
American Cotton Oil	66 3-8
American Hide & Leather pfd	38
American Ice Securities	23 7-8
American Linseed	14 3-4
American Locomotive	51
American Smelting & Refng	83 7-8
Amer. Smelting & Refng pfd	107
American Sugar Refining	124
American Tob. & Tel.	136
American Tobacco pfd	92 1-2
American Woolen	35
Anaconda Mining Co.	50 3-4
Atchison	115 1-2
Atchison pfd	103 1-2
Atlantic Coast Line	128 1-2
Baltimore & Ohio	107
Baltimore & Ohio pfd	91 1-2
Bethlehem Steel	28
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	73 3-4
Canadian Pacific	180 1-2
Central Leather	40 3-4
Central Leather pfd	107
Central of New Jersey	205
Chesapeake & Ohio	84 3-8
Chicago & Alton	56
Chicago Great Western (new)	32 1-2
Chicago & Northwestern	157 1-4
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	146
C., C., C. & St. L.	77
Colorado Fuel & Iron	30 7-8
Colorado & Southern	60 1-4
Colorado & Southern 1st pfd	81
Colorado & Southern 2nd pfd	79
Consolidated Gas	145 1-2
Corn Products	15 1-2
Delaware & Hudson	175 1-4
Denver & Rio Grande	41 1-8
Denver & Rio Grande pfd	79 1-2
Distillers' Securities	31 7-8
Erie	29 1-4
Erie 1st pfd	45 7-8
Erie 2nd pfd	37
General Electric	155
Great Northern pfd	137 1-4
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	71
Illinois Central	143
Interborough Met	22 3-4
Interborough Met pfd	56 3-4
Inter Harvester	120 3-4
International Paper	20 1-8
International Pump	14 1-4
Iowa Central	48 1-2
Kansas City Southern	23 1-4
Kansas City Southern pfd	38
Louisville & Nashville	149 1-2
Minneapolis & St. Louis	42 1-2
Minn., St. P. & Sault St. M.	142 3-4
Missouri Pacific	70 3-4
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	25 5-8
Missouri, Kansas & Texas pfd	61
National Biscuit	126 1-2
National Lead	81 1-4
Nat'l Rys. of Mexico 1st pfd	60
New York Central	119 5-8
New York, Ontario & Western	45 3-8
Norfolk & Western	101 1-2
North American	80 1-2
Northern Pacific	136 1-2
Pacific Mail	32
Pennsylvania	132 1-4
People's Gas	110 1-4
Pittsburg, C. C. & St. Louis	97 3-4
Pressed Steel Car	43 1-4
Pullman Palace Car	136 1-2
Railway Steel Spring	42
Reading	168 1-8
Republic Steel	40 1-4
Republic Steel pfd	102 1-2
Rock Island Co. pfd	85 1-2
St. Louis & San Fran. 2nd pfd	48 1-2
St. Louis Southwestern	30
St. Louis Southwestern pfd	74
Sloss Sheffield Steel & Iron	75 1-2
Southern Pacific	126
Southern Railway	28 7-8
Southern Railway pfd	65 5-8
Tennessee Copper	32 7-8
Texas & Pacific	30
Toledo, St. Louis & West	45
Toledo, St. Louis & West. pfd	65 7-8
Union Pacific	186 3-4
Union Pacific pfd	102
United States Realty	74
United States Rubber	42
United States Rubber 1st pfd	93 3-8
United States Steel pfd	120
Utah Copper	50 1-4
Virginia Car. Chemical	35
Wabash	21 3-4
Wabash pfd	47 5-8
Western Maryland	29
Western Union	69 3-4
Wheeling & Lake Erie	72 1-4
Wisconsin Central	5 1-4
	49

NAVAL STORES.

New York, Feb. 17.—Rosin and turpentine quiet.

Savannah, Feb. 17.—Turpentine firm 59; sales 113; receipts 98; shipments —; stocks 21,256. Rosin firm; sales 892; receipts 619; shipments —; stocks 134,817. Quote: A, B, C, 4.25; D, 4.40; E, 4.45; F, 4.57 1-2; G, 4.57 1-2; H, 4.57 to 4.60; I, 4.65; K, 4.70; K, 5.75; M, 6.30; N, 6.50; WG, 6.75; WW, 6.90.

Charleston, S. C., Feb. 17.—Turpentine firm 59. Rosin firm. Quote: A, B, C, 4.25; D, 4.40; E, 4.45; F, 4.57 1-2; G, 4.57 1-2; H, 6.75; WW, 6.90.

MARINE

ARRIVED.

Str. Duplin, Stokes, Smith's Bridge, J. A. Munn.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, N. C.

Steamers.

Glencoe (Br.) 1,048 tons, Cooper, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Pererie (Br.) 2,801 tons, Gardner, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.

John H. May, 310 tons, Stille, C. D. Maffitt.

R. T. Rundlett, 219 tons, Roberts, C. D. Maffitt.

Mary A. Randall, 1,108 tons, Robinson, C. D. Maffitt.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 17, 1910.

C. C. Railroad—102 barrels tar.

W. & W. Railroad—33 bales cotton.

W. C. & A. Railroad—79 bales cotton, 8 barrels tar.

A. & N. C. Railroad—10 bales cotton, 87 barrels rosin, 94 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—2 bales cotton.

Str. May Flower—250 barrels rosin.

Str. May Flouwer—250 barrels rosin.

Total—133 bales cotton, casks spirits turpentine, 337 barrels rosin, 214 barrels tar, — barrels crude turpentine.

Do You Get Your Money's Worth?

If not then try us and get more. Dressed Poultry, Extra Fine Beef, Veal Mutton, Pork Sausage, Hams and Bacon, Fresh Eggs and Butter.

HOPKINS & DAVIS

FRONT STREET MARKET

Stalls Nos. 1 and 2 North Side.
Stalls Nos. 1 and 3 South Side.
Phones 128 and 141.

Read Star Business Locals.

SALE OF LAND FOR PARTITION

By virtue and in pursuance of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover County made and entered at the December term, A. D. 1909, in a cause therein pending wherein Wm. H. Graffin, Wm. H. Graffin, Executor of Richard B. Buck, and Wm. H. Graffin, Trustee are plaintiffs, and Emma C. Graffin, Frank D. Graffin, Edith B. Graffin, Fred'k L. Graffin and wife, Mary S. Graffin, Laura Elma Buck; Jas. S. Woodside; Safe Deposit & Trust Co., of Baltimore, Executor of Thos. M. Lanahan, Wm. H. Crawford, Administrator of John C. Graffin, Margaret Lanahan, Josephine Reeder, Kate Renshaw and Mary Matilda Carter are defendants, the undersigned Commissioner duly appointed by said Decree, will expose for sale by public auction for cash to the highest bidder at the Court House door in the City of Wilmington, County of New Hanover, on Monday the 28th day of February, A. D. 1910, at 12 o'clock M. on said day, the following described tracts pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the County of New Hanover, State of North Carolina, and some within and some without the corporate limits of the City of Wilmington, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

FIRST TRACT: Beginning at a point in the Southern line of Swann street one hundred and fifty feet westwardly from the southwestern intersection of Swann and Sixth streets, and runs thence southwardly and parallel with Sixth street fifty feet and two inches (50 ft. 2 in.) thence westwardly and parallel with Swann street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft.) to Brown street, thence northwardly along the western line of Brown street fifty feet and two inches (50 ft. 2 in.) thence eastwardly and parallel with Swann street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft.) to the beginning, the same being part of Lot One in Block 307, according to the official plan of the City of Wilmington, N. C.

SECOND TRACT: Beginning at a point in the southern line of Swann street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) eastwardly from southeastern intersection of Swann and Eighth streets, and runs thence southwardly and parallel with Eighth street sixty-six feet (66 ft), thence northeastwardly along the Hilton line to Swann street, thence westwardly along Swann street forty-five feet (45 ft), more or less, to the beginning, same being part of Lot one in Block 319 of Wilmington, N. C.

THIRD TRACT: Beginning in the eastern line of Fifth street at a point one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) northwardly from the northeastern intersection of Swann and Fifth streets, runs thence eastwardly and parallel with Swann street about forty feet (40ft) to the Hilton line, thence northwestwardly along the Hilton line to its intersection with the eastern line of Fifth street at a point about sixty feet (60ft) southwardly from the southeastern intersection of Fifth and Nixon streets, and runs thence southwardly along the Eastern line of Fifth street one hundred and twenty feet (120ft) to the beginning, the same being parts of Lots two and three in Hilson's 224, according to the official plan of the City of Wilmington.

FOURTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the northern line of Swann street seventy-five feet (75ft) westwardly from the northeastern intersection of Seventh and Swann streets, and runs thence westwardly along the northern line of Swann street thirty-seven feet and six inches (37 ft. 6 in), and thence northwardly and parallel with the western line of Seventh street sixty feet (60ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with Swann street thirty-seven feet and six inches (37 ft. 6 in), and thence northwardly and parallel with the western line of Seventh street sixty feet (60 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lot five in Block 325.

FIFTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the western line of Sixth street one hundred and two feet (102 ft) southwardly from the southwestern intersection of Sixth and Taylor streets and runs thence westwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the western line of Sixth street thence northwardly along the western line of Sixth street six (6 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lot three in Block 326.

SIXTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Fifth street one hundred and twenty feet (120 ft) southwardly from the southeastern intersection of Fifth and Taylor streets, and runs thence southwardly along the eastern line of Fifth street thirty-nine feet (39 ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft.) to Brown street, thence northwardly along the western line of Brown street thirty-nine feet (39 ft), thence westwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lots two and three in Block 336.

SEVENTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Love street thirty feet (30 ft) southwardly from the southeastern intersection of Love and Taylor streets, and runs thence westwardly and parallel with Taylor street seventy-five feet (75 ft), and thence southwardly and parallel with the eastern line of Love street, thirty feet (30 ft), thence westwardly and parallel with the eastern line of Love street seventy-five feet (75 ft), thence southwardly along the eastern line of Love street sixty feet (60 ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lots one and two in Block 337.

EIGHTH TRACT: Beginning at the southeastern intersection of Taylor and Sixth street, and runs thence southwardly along the eastern line of Sixth street seventy feet (70 ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the western line of Love street, thence northwardly along the western line of Love street seventy feet (70 ft) to Taylor street, thence along the southern line of Taylor street one hundred and fifty (150 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lot one in Block 338.

TENTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Seventh street thirty feet (30 ft) southwardly from the southeastern intersection of Seventh and Taylor streets, and runs thence southwardly along the eastern line of Seventh street sixty feet (60 ft) thence eastwardly and parallel with Taylor street seventy-five feet (75 ft), thence northwardly and parallel with the eastern line of Seventh street sixty feet (60 ft), and thence westwardly and parallel with Taylor street seventy-five feet (75 ft) to the beginning, the same being parts of Lots one and two in Block 338.

ELEVENTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the western line of Eighth street ninety feet (90 ft) southwardly from the southwestern intersection of Eighth and Taylor streets, and runs thence southwardly along the western line of Eighth street sixty feet (60 ft), thence westwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the western line of McRee street, thence northwardly along the eastern line of McRee street sixty feet (60 ft) and thence eastwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the beginning, the same being parts of Lots two and three in Block 338.

TWELFTH TRACT: Beginning in the western line of McRee street at a point sixty-six feet (66 ft) northwardly from the northwest intersection of Nixon and McRee streets, and runs thence westwardly and parallel with Nixon street seventy-five feet (75ft); thence northwardly and parallel with McRee street fifty-eight feet (58 ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with Nixon street seventy-five feet (75 ft), and thence southwardly along the western line of McRee street fifty-eight feet (58 ft) to the beginning, same being part of Lot four in Block 328.

THIRTEENTH TRACT: Beginning at the southwestern intersection of Taylor and Ninth streets, and runs thence southwardly along the western line of Ninth street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft), thence westwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the eastern line of Brooklyn street, thence along the eastern line of Brooklyn street northwardly one hundred and fifty (150 ft) to the southern line of Taylor street eastwardly one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lots one, two and three in Block 339.

FOURTEENTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Brooklyn street seventy-five feet (75 ft) northwardly from the northeastern intersection of Brooklyn and Nixon streets, and runs thence northwardly along the eastern line of Brooklyn street sixty feet (60 ft) thence eastwardly and parallel with Nixon street seventy-five feet (75 ft), thence southwardly and parallel with the eastern line of Brooklyn street sixty feet (60 ft), and thence westerwardly and parallel with Nixon street seventy-five feet (75 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lots three and four in Block 339.

FIFTEENTH TRACT: Beginning at the southeastern intersection of Ninth and Taylor streets, and runs thence southwardly along the eastern line of Ninth street one hundred and eighty feet (180 ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with Taylor street Fifty-seven feet and five inches (57 5 in), more or less, to the Hilton line, thence northeastwardly along the Hilton line one hundred and eighty-six feet (186 ft), more or less, to the southern line of Taylor street, thence westwardly along the southern line of Taylor street one hundred and five feet (105 ft), more or less, to the beginning, the same being part of Lots one, two and three in Block 340.

SIXTEENTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the eastern line of James street ninety feet (90 ft) northwardly from the northeastern intersection of James and Taylor streets, and runs thence eastwardly, parallel with Taylor street, thirty-one feet and ten inches (31 ft. 10 in), more or less, to the Hilton line, thence northwestwardly along the Hilton line about eighty-four feet (84 ft), more or less, to where the Hilton line intersects the Eastern line of James street, and thence southwardly along the eastern line of James street to the beginning, the same being part of Lots three and four in Block 347.

SEVENTEENTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the western line of Sixth street thirty feet (30 ft) southwestwardly from the Southwestern intersection of Sixth and Howard street, and runs thence westwardly and parallel with Howard street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to Brown street, thence southwardly along the eastern line of Brown street, sixty feet (60 ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with Howard street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the western line of Sixth street, and thence along the western line of Sixth street northwardly sixty feet (60 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lots two and three in Block 348.

NINETEENTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the western line of Sixth street sixty feet (60 ft) northwardly from the northwest intersection of Howard and Sixth streets, and runs thence northwardly along the western line of Sixth street sixty feet (60 ft), thence westwardly and parallel with Taylor street seventy-five feet (75 ft), thence southwardly and parallel with the western line of Sixth street sixty feet (60 ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with Howard street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lots four and five in Block 348.

TWENTIETH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the western line of Brown street sixty feet (60 ft) southwardly from the southwestern intersection of Brown and Howard streets, and runs thence westwardly and parallel with the southern line of Howard street seventy-five feet (75 ft), thence southwardly and parallel with the western line of Brown street thirty feet (30 ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with the northern line of Love street seventy-five feet (75 ft), thence northwardly and parallel with the western

THE WEATHER

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 18, 1910.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 8 P. M. Thursday, Feb. 17th:

Temperature at 8 A. M. 58 degrees; 8 P. M. 64 degrees; maximum 68 degrees; minimum 56 degrees; mean 63 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .20; for the month, 3.23 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. Wednesday 10.6 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Clearing and much colder with a cold wave; Friday fair; high northwest winds.

STORM WARNING.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 17.—Southwest storm warning 4:50 P. M. Jacksonville to Baltimore. High southerly winds will shift to west and northwest on east Gulf and Middle and South Atlantic coasts. MOORE.

Port Calendar—Feb. 18.

Sun Rises.....6:54 A. M.
Sun Sets.....5:59 P. M.
Day's Length.....11 hrs. 5 min.
High water at Southport 3:04 A. M.
High water at Wilmington 6:04 A. M.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Crystal Palace—Two More Days.
W. B. Cooper—Maine Grown Seed Potatoes.
Geo. O. Gaylord—Great Stock Reducing Sale.

Business Locals.

Found—J. I. Metts.
Wanted—Pine Box Boards.
For Rent—Furnished Room.
Leo Suggs—Lost Fountain Pen.
Wanted—Men and Women Representatives.

THE RAILROAD BILL.

Re-introduced in House Yesterday With Amendments.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The administration railroad bill amending the Interstate Commerce Act, originally introduced in the House by Representative Townsend, of Michigan, was re-introduced by him today with a number of important amendments drawn by Attorney General Wickersham, which changes the bill in the matter of the creation of the court of commerce, in the regulation of stocks and bonds and the inclusion of electric railroads in the scope of the measure.

In many particulars the language of the bill is modified and new sections are added. The amendment relating to the commerce court limits its power to that of a Federal circuit court to meet the objection made to the original provision that the court would have more extensive jurisdiction than the existing circuit courts of the United States.

The stock and bond provision is amended so as to permit of the reorganization of railroads and for the merger of railroads not directly prohibited. The act establishes the general principle that no stock shall be issued by railroads except at par, and no bonds except at their reasonable market or selling value as ascertained by the Interstate Commerce Commission; and where either stocks of bonds are paid for in property, its fair value must be ascertained by the commission.

One section deals specifically with the issue of stock and bonds on the re-organization of existing companies and authorizes the issue of stock to an amount not exceeding the aggregate of the stock of the company reorganized and bonds to an amount not exceeding the outstanding bonds and other obligations, including new money paid in, provided the aggregate interest charges to be paid by the re-organized company do not exceed the aggregate existing interest charges.

In the case of the consolidation or merger of two or more railroads, the stock and bonds of the consolidated or merged company is not to exceed the aggregate amount of stock and bonds of the constituent companies, nor be in excess of the fair estimated value of the properties of the consolidated or merged company as ascertained by the commission.

A railroad company is left free to acquire stock and bonds of another non-competing railroad, provided the aggregate amount of stock and bonds issued for such acquisition shall not exceed the fair value of the property, as ascertained by the commission, or the aggregate par value of the stock and bonds acquired without increase in the aggregate interest payable on such bonds.

CLEVELAND'S STREET CARS.

New Franchise Approved by Large Majority at the Polls.

Cleveland, O., Feb. 17.—Turning out to vote in a howling blizzard, the people of Cleveland today ended the fight for low street car fares, began 15 years ago, and latterly made famous by Tom L. Johnson, in his four terms as mayor.

The new franchise, proposed by Judge Robert W. Taylor, of the Federal Court, was approved in a referendum election by a majority of 8,196, the largest majority ever given to a public measure in Cleveland. The grant is said to be a hitherto untried experiment in municipal control of the profits of public utility corporations.

The basis of the franchise is that street car service under control of the city must be furnished by the Cleveland Railway Company at cost, plus six per cent. return to the stockholders on their investment.

For the first eight months the fare will be three cents, with a penny charge for a transfer, this fixed rate being made a test. The maximum rate of fare allowable during the term of the grant—25 years—is four cents cash, or seven tickets for 25 cents. The three-cent rate of fare goes into operation tomorrow.

Saved From Awful Peril.

"I never felt so near my grave," writes Lewis Chamblin, of Manchester, Ohio, R. R. No. 3, "as when a frightful cough and lung trouble pulled me down to 115 pounds in spite of many remedies and the best doctors. And that I am alive today is due solely to Dr. King's New Discovery, which completely cured me. Now I weigh 160 pounds and can work hard. It also cured my four children of croup." Infallible for coughs and colds, its the most certain remedy for lagrippe asthma, desperate lung trouble and all bronchial affections. 50c and $1.00. A trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Robt R. Bellamy.

STEAMER YUCATAN IS LOST.

Rammed an Iceberg and Was Beached. 65 Passengers Saved.

Juneau, Alaska, Feb. 17.—The steel steamship Yucatan, of the Alaska Steamship Company, formerly a yacht used by George W. Perkins, of New York, bound for Valdez to Seattle with 65 passengers, struck an iceberg in the Icey Strait yesterday and sank within eight minutes in six fathoms of water at high tide. There was no loss of life and so far as is known no one was injured. The shipwrecked passengers and sailors are camped on Chichagof Island. They will be brought to Juneau tomorrow by the steamer Georgia, which left Juneau soon after news of the wreck was received.

First Mate Gustafsen, of the Yucatan, and Captain Raymond Jaeger, of the fishing schooner Alexandria, arrived today with news of the loss of the Yucatan. The Yucatan was bound for Gysum on Chichagof Island to take on a cargo of gypsum. When Icey Strait was reached the water was smooth, but there were great fields of ice. Snow was falling so heavily that it was impossible to see far ahead.

Captain W. P. Porter was on the bridge with the pilot, Captain Jahn Johnson, who commanded the steamship Ohio when she was lost in British Columbian water last Summer. Slow speed was ordered and the Yucatan crept through the ice.

Presently an iceberg loomed up ahead and the steamship rammed it, tearing a hole in the side of the vessel. Full steam ahead was ordered and the Yucatan was beached on Chichagof Island. The boats were lowered and all on board were taken ashore without mishap or confusion. The ten women passengers were taken off first. Food and bedding and the United States mail also were saved.

On the island the castaways found cabins and with sufficient foot, clothing, blankets and good are not likely to suffer. Many of the passengers lost all their personal effects.

Soon after the crew had landed Captain Johnson, First Mate Gustafsen and four sailors put off in a life boat to seek aid. After rowing 15 miles they sighted the fishing schooner Alexandria. Captain Johnson and the sailors turned back to the island in the life boat, while Captain Jaeger and mate Gustafsen set out for Juneau in a gasoline launch which broke down after going a short distance. They then had difficulty in getting their craft to a Hoonah Indian village.

The Indians refused to lend them a boat and the white men were obliged to row the heavy launch to Juneau.

The Yucatan is a steel vessel built at Chester, Pa., in 1890 and was valued at $300,000.

FIGHTING IN NICARAGUA

Reported That Madriz Troops Were Repulsed With Heavy Losses.

Managua, Feb. 17.—General Vasquez, commanding 300 of the government troops, is reported to be battling against General Mena, at the head of 1,200 insurgents in the vicinity of Acoyapa. It is surmised that Vasquez engaged Menain order to prevent him from effecting a junction in Chontales with General Chamorro.

The fighting began at St. Viconte, 18 miles east of Acoyapa, at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Darkness compelled the cessation of hostilities, but the fight was resumed this morning. No details of the engagement have reached here, but reinforcements are on their way to Vasquez.

Lieutenant Commander Symington of the United States Navy, telegraphs President Madriz from Matagalpa that he has a letter from Rear Admiral Kimball for General Chamorro. The President has no information as to the exact whereabouts of Chamorro, but replied to Commander Symington: "Look in the Southeast."

There are persistent rumors that President Madriz and Minister General Baca are at loggerheads. Conditions in Managua are threatening on account of serious disagreements among the politicians. Despite vigorous opposition the law validating the debts of the revolution of 1896 was passed by Congress today. Only the President's veto can prevent its operation. The validating of the paper money of the Southern Confederacy by the government at Washington would be a parallel case.

Washington, Feb. 18.—Advices of two battles, in which the Madriz troops were repulsed with heavy losses were received here tonight by Senor Castrollo, representative of the Estrada, provisional government in Nicaragua. Both dispatches were signed Estrada. One read:

"Enemy attacked us yesterday and today near Acoyapa and were repulsed with serious loss."

FOR GREATER WHITEVILLE.

Town Votes $25,000 Bonds for Streets and Sidewalks.

Whiteville, N. C., Feb. 17.—By a vote of ten to one our little city today carried an election for $25,000 bonds for better streets and greater Whiteville. A grand rally will soon be held with distinguished speakers from different parts of the South. The town is wild with enthusiasm.

PILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS
POZO OINTMENT is guaranteed to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days or money refunded. 50c.

IN MEMORIAM.

At the last regular meeting of the Wilmington Light Infantry, a committee was appointed who drafted the following resolutions on the death of Col. John L. Cantwell:

Whereas, The Great Ruler of the Universe on December 21st, 1909, in his infinite wisdom, removed from our midst our honored and beloved comrade Col. John Lucas Cantwell, and,

Whereas, The relation during a long life by him with the members of this company makes it fitting that we record our appreciation of him; therefore,

Resolved, That his knowledge of military matters and his experience on many battle fields fitted him with wisdom and ability which he was ever willing to exercise in aid of our Company, and which will be held in grateful remembrance.

Resolved, That the removal of such a man from our Company, in which he has held membership for more than half a century, leaves a vacancy that will be deeply realized by all its members and will prove a grievous loss to this community.

Resolved, That the Armory be draped with mourning, the flag displayed at half mast for thirty days and that a page in our minute book be inscribed to his memory, giving the date and place of his birth and of his death.

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the afflicted family, and that a copy of these resolutions be furnished them and the press of our city.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES BORDEN LYNCH,
EDWIN AS METTS,
JOSEPH N. JACOBS,
Committee.

MANY CONVERSIONS MADE IN CAPITAL OF HOOSIER STATE

The new theory (backed up by his preparation) advanced by L. T. Cooper with regard to the cause of most ill health of the present generation is being sown broadcast by this young man.

Cooper believes that the human stomach has become degenrate in civilized races, and claims that good health is impossible unless the stomach is revitalized. This he claims to do with his preparation.

An article from the Indianapolis Star during Cooper's stay in that city has this to say of Cooper and his preparation: "Residents of this city are being astounded by L. T. Cooper and his new preparation.

"Reports that preceeded Mr. Cooper's visit here told of his success in other localities, but the immense success of his medicine and the general belief in his theory was wholly unprecedented.

"So great is the rush of the public to this young man that people stand in line waiting their turn for hours in an effort to see him. The most interesting feature of this is statements made by reliable citizens as to the actual accomplishments of Cooper's medicine. Among recent statements of this character the following from J. L. Turk, living at 915 Locust street, Vincennes, Ind., is a fair example.

"Mr. Turk is well known throughout the Ohio and Mississippi valleys. He is now 68 years of age, and claims his general health is better than for some time past. He says:

"'For several years I have suffered from stomach trouble. I was in a badly weakened and run-down condition. After eating I would bloat and be in pain and distress for several hours. An all-gone feeling would come over me, and I had no energy nor ambition whatever. This condition continued for a long time, although I took treatment from several good physicians, and tried a number of patent medicines, without relief.

"'On reading of Mr. Cooper's theory I became convinced that he was right, so I procured several bottles of his New Discovery preparation in order to test his claims. It afforded prompt relief, and when I had taken three bottles my trouble had disappeared and I was feeling like a different man. To make my restoration sure, I took two more bottles of the New Discovery. It has now been several months since I stopped taking the Cooper medicine, and I have experienced no pain nor distress in that time, although I eat everything I wish.

"'The medicine also relieved me of chronic constipation and piles, the latter having bothered me for twenty years. Cooper's New Discovery is a wonderful preparation and I recommend it to anyone suffering from stomach trouble.'"

Let us explain Mr. Cooper's remarkable medicine to you if your general health is not all that it should be.—J. H. Hardin.

VICTIM OF PELLAGRA.

Charlotte Lady Succumbs to Strange Disease.

(Charlotte News.)

A victim of that dreaded disease, pellagra, Mrs. Lizzie Dean, died this morning at her home, No. 14 Belmont avenue. Dr. William Strong has been attending her for about two months and said she had every characteristic symptom of pellagra.

From the story she told she has been suffering with it for four years. Her hands and face were in eruption and her body was frail and emaciated. A short time ago she went to the eastern part of the State to visit relatives and while there contracted a cold which resulted in bronchial pneumonia. This was the immediate cause of her death.

Several doctors have been treating her. At Concord, where she lived before coming to Charlotte, the doctors treated her for indigestion and stomach trouble. She was born in Montgomery county. Her husband is Mr. W. A. Dean. The interment will be in Elmwood.

Won't Need a Crutch.

When Editor J. P. Sorsman, of Cornelius, N. C., bruised his leg badly, it started an ugly sore. Many salves and ointments proved worthless. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve healed it thoroughly. Nothing is so prompt and sure for ulcers, boils, burns, bruises, cuts, corns, sores, pimples, eczema or piles. 25c at Robt. R. Bellamy

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

LOST—Parker Lucky Curve fountain pen, between Bunting's Drug Store and postoffice. Finder please return to Leo Suggs at Bunting's Drug Store. fe 18 1t*

FOR RENT—Newly front furnished rooms, connected or separately; select table board, fine location. References desired. Write to Postoffice Box 515, Wilmington, N. C. fe 18 1t*

WANTED TO BUY from one to two million feet of short leaf yellow pine box boards for rail shipment. State grade of lumber and where same is located with full details and price. Address "Pine", care Star. fe 18 eod 3t

MEN AD WOMEN wanted immediately to represent large wholesale Philadelphia firm. Salary and expenses advanced weekly to travelers. Guaranteed salary to local representatives. Call Friday, Room 3, Fmares Hotel. fe 18 1t*

FOUND—On Market street near 12th, a ladies fur collar. Owner can secure same by calling on J. I. Metts. fe 18 1t

WANTED—Position as stenographer by a young lady of experience. Can furnish good reference. Address "Stenographer" care Star. fe 17 1t*

FOR SALE OR RENT farm on Masonboro Sound, facing ocean, fine view near new road, five room house, stable, 40 acres of land. A. Bissinger, 119 Market street. fe 17 2t

FOR SALE—Rhode Island Reds eggs for batching and a few cockerels. All from heavy laying strain. 'Phone 92. W. H. McEachern. fe 17 1t*

FULL AND COMPLETE LINE of fresh meats and seasonable vegetables, oranges, tangerines and apples, always the best. New River Garden Oysters at Palace Market. Phone 72. fe 16 1f

WANTED—Roller top desk in good condition. Address "Desk" care Star. fe 15 3t

SULTANA OLIVE OIL—Mr. Vadadi, the Sultana agent here, has arranged to have this oil distributed in the future by Hall's drug store, Fifth and Castle. Pints 50c. Quarts $1.00. Phone orders filled promptly. no 4 tf

FOR SALE—The best line of trunks and leather goods in the city. Our prices can't be beat, call at Uncle Charley's Pawn Shop, 108 Market street. Just a whisher from Front street. fe 8 tf

HORSES AND MULES for the farm. Horses for the road, horses that your wife can drive with safety. Ponies for children. Frank Greene & Co., 15 South Second street. ja 30 1m.

KEEP YOUR EYE on our show case. The display will be changed frequently. Every time we change it will be better. The Gem Studio, Foltz & Kendrick, 114 Market street. no 27 tf.

TRY OUR REGULAR LUNCH from 12 M. to 3 P. M. daily, 25c; prompt service, everything in season; best drip coffee in the city. The Junction Restaurant, corner Front and Princess. Open night and day. fe 5 tf

ENLARGEMENTS, old dim pictures of any kind worked over. Fine photographs a specialty. The U. C. Ellis Studio. fe 10 tf

RECEIVED TODAY—Car load Maine grown seed potatoes; raised exclusively for seed stock; best to be had. Irish cobblers, Early Rose, White and Red Bliss, Early Sunlight, 50 bushels Onion sets, white, red and yellow. Full line seed to select from. When in need of seed, call on the seed store. W. J. Kirkham & Co. 22 South Front street. fe 4 1m

CHARLES T. HARPER, M. D.—Practice limited to Genito-Urinary and Rectal diseases. Office 507-508 Southern Building, Wilmington, N. C. Phone 1166. ja 11 3m

FOR SALE, the valuable property on Princess street until recently known as the "Star Building." Four floors including basement. Size of lot, 58 1-4x66 feet, and includes half of the wide alley adjoining building on West. Only 66 feet from the site of the new Customs House. Address Wm. H. Bernard, Fayetteville, N. C. ja 5 tf

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

LOST—A package of bills. Reward if returned to G. F. Hunt Furniture Co. fe 15 3t.

FOR SALE—The controlling interest in medium size, long established Hosiery Mill, plaindid opportunity for man of small capital. Address Hosiery Mill, care Wilmington Star. ja 30 1mo

WANTED—Two wide-awake (well-dressed) single men to travel with manager and solicit. Experience not necessary. Must furnish good references. Call at The Orton 9 to 12 today. H. C. Looper. fe 17 1t*

WANTED—Two or three furnished rooms for light housekeeping by couple without children. Address stating particulars, "W. L." care Star. fe 17 3t

SHIP ME your eggs, poultry, hams, hides, beeswax and any kind of produce. Will pay highest market prices and make prompt returns. N. C. Hams a specialty. C. B. Bellola, 16 North Second street. 'Phone 1578. de 12 tf

LOST MONEY LOUISE—In days gone by but now I'm wise. I've found where and how to make money by shipping my raw furs, hides, tallow, wool, beeswax, worm seed, produce etc., to C. D. Gilbert & Bro., 212 Market street. de 7 tf

TO FARMERS—Use Keith Phosphate Lime, save half your fertilizer bill as well as improve your soil, increasing your crops rom 50 to 100 per cent. For prices write B. F. Keith Company, Wilmington, North Carolina. ja 20 1m

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE.

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Afra J. Freeman, deceased, this is to notify all persons to present their claims, duly verified on or before the 14th day of January, 1911 or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make prompt payment.

This the 13th day of January, 1910.

GEO. O. GAYLORD,
ja 14 oaw 4w fri. Administrator.

FORTIFY YOUR SYSTEM. If your blood is out of order you run a risk of taking a germ disease. Rheumatism, Grippe, Pneumonia and Typhoid Fever are germ diseases. Rheumacide is an active blood purifier. It cleanses the blood of all impurities. Pure blood prevents germs from taking hold of the vital organs and expels them from the system. In liquid, also tablet form. At druggists, 25c. and 50c. a bottle. Tablets by mail, 25c. Bobbitt Chemical Co., Balto., Md.

ASSIGNEES' SALE

JEWELRY STOCK—At 12 o'clock "M" on Monday 28th February 1910 at No. 27 South Front street, in the City of Wilmington, N. C., I will sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder, all the stock of Jewelry etc., assigned to me by J. T. Burke. Inventory filed with John D. Taylor, Clerk Superior Court, and Stock can be inspected from 10 to 12 o'clock A. M. on Tuesday 15th, Saturday 19th, Tuesday 22nd, and Saturday 26th, inst.

This 12th February 1910

PAUL CAASE, Assignee.
A. J. MARSHALL, Attorney.
fe 13 tii fe 28.

WHY NOT TRY POPHAM'S ASTHMA REMEDY?
Gives prompt and positive relief in every case. Sold by druggists, price $1.00. Trial package by mail 10 cents.
WILLIAMS MFG. CO., Props.
CLEVELAND, O.
Sold by R. R. Bellamy.

NOTICE:

To the Flour Eating Public

Owing to the fact that certain flour mills have been using our Brand Blue Ribbon for their flours, we have changed our brand to that of a Crusader Riding His Black Horse. This brand is registered and we are the sole agents of same. The flour is the same in quality. Every barrel is sold under a guarantee by the mills and ourselves. This is the finest flour ever offered on this market.

Call on your grocer and have nothing in the flour line but The Crusader if you want the best flour you ever ate.

B. F. MITCHELL CO.
DISTRIBUTORS.

THE
"Atlantic Inn"
Opposite Union Depot.
European Plan.

Most convenient to traveling men. Elegant rooms, good service, personal attention. Our restaurant service satisfies a large number daily. Why not you?

GIESCHEN BROS., Props.

ACADEMY
SCHLOSS THEATRE CIRCUIT
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST.
Presenting Himself
CHAS. A. SELLON
Offers
THE CAT AND THE FIDDLE.
Same Big Production.
40—PEOPLE—40
19—SCENES—19
20—SONG HITS—20
Prices 25c to $1.50. Seats ready Saturday.
fe 17 3t

Blue prints of all kinds are made by Southern Map Co., phone 813, So. Bldg.

But 2 More Days
Of Present Big Bill.
Crystal Palace
Greatest Vaudeville Offering for Novelty Ever Made in Wilmington.
fe-18-tf

SMOKE
Cuban Blossom
CIGARS!
WHY
?
Because It Is the Best Cigar for the Money.
H. L. Vollers
Wholesale Grocer.

NEW MODEL No. 10
REMINGTON TYPEWRITER
$84.50
RAMOS TYPEWRITER CO.
WILMINGTON, N. C.

Maine Grown Seed Potatoes

119 Bags Irish Cobless Potatoes.
110 Bags White Bliss Potatoes.
45 Bags Red Bliss Potatoes.
31 Bags Early Rose Potatoes.
47 Bags Corno Chick Feed.
87 Bags Corno Hen Feed.
413 Bags Wheat Bran.
279 Bags Shorts.
250 Bags Cotton Seed Hulls.
211 Bags Cotton Seed Meal.
291 Bags White Spring Oats.
118 Bags Rust Proof Oats.

W. B. Cooper,
Importer and Jobber.
Wilmington, N. C.
fe 18 tf

Four Per Cent Interest Paid ON Time Deposits.
THE AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK
OF WILMINGTON, N. C.
fe 13 tf

A. D. BROWN.
Easter Suits.

Our women's ready-to-wear Suits and Skirts will be on display this week. We are especially noted for having the best material and high-class tailoring and finish in all garments.

Dress Goods and Trimmings, White Goods, Laces and Embroideries.

Do not wait until the last moment to make your selection, then become worried because you can't get what you wish. "A word to the wise is sufficient."

Agent for American Lady Corsets, Butterick Patterns and Black Cat Hosiery.

Out-of-town orders will receive prompt attention.

A. D. Brown
fe 13 tf

J. W. Fleet Co.

We take pleasure in announcing that Mr. Charles R. Davis, heretofore associated with us as salesman has been admitted as a member of the firm and will take pleasure in serving his friends and the general public in the future as in the past.

J. W. Fleet Co.
Phone 673. So. W. Corner Front and Princess Sts.
fe 13 tf

THE SPRINGER COAL COMPANY
STOVE COAL

1,700 tons just in by Schooner "Mary A. Randall."
300 tons arrived by Schooner "Bayard Hopkins."
2,000 tons total February 8th, 1910.

Tennessee Lump Coal
Pocahontas Steam Coal
All of the Highest Grades.
Plenty of first-class Oak and Pine Wood, cut to order.

THE SPRINGER COAL COMPANY
fe 9 tf

We Wish to Announce
that we are now located in our new office and warerooms, 115 Market Street.
Ramos Typewriter Co.
fe 13 tf